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The President's Report

At the end of each fiscal year, Mr. Russell H. Leonard, the President and Treasurer of the Company, makes his report to the Shareholders on the operations for the year just ended. Here is the report that was sent out on August 21st for the year which ended June 30, 1942.

OPERATIONS

The net profit for the fiscal year ended June 30th, 1942 amounted to $1,965,145, after all charges including depreciation and taxes. Net sales amounted to $48,224,968, an increase of 25% over the sales of the previous year. Although there was a substantial increase in sales volume and unit prices over the previous year, there were also increases in the costs for materials, labor and Federal taxes. Because of these increases and the change in the basis of inventory valuation described below, the net profit per dollar of sales was only 4.1% compared with 4.8%. Net current assets are $12,744,000, or about $131 per share on the outstanding stock. The Reserve for Federal Taxes set aside out of earnings has been computed at the rates fixed in the law now applicable to the year's business. It is possible that the new tax law will contain provisions retroactively increasing the tax rate applicable to half of our fiscal year and in that event taxes in excess of the Reserve for Taxes will have to be paid.

INVENTORIES

For many years the basis of inventory valuation has been that of "lower of cost or market" computed on a "first in, first out" basis. The operating results shown are based, however, on the "last in, first out" method of inventory valuation, which was adopted this year on the cotton content of the inventory. The use of this method for Federal Income Tax purposes is now authorized under the Revenue Acts; it should tend to minimize the effects of inventory fluctuation. As the price of cotton rose during the year, closing inventories would have been valued substantially higher if the "first in, first out" method had been followed this year as in former years.

PRODUCTION

Military goods have displaced civilian goods at an increasing tempo throughout the past twelve months. The production of our own mills, with the exception of rayons, is now preponderantly devoted to goods essential to the war effort. All plants are, of course, operating at the fullest capacity which the gradually lessening labor supply permits. At present about 60% of the total pounds of cloth is being woven in the Southern mills of the Company as against 40% in the Northern mills.

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PEPPERELL EMPLOYEE COMPARES WAR VALUE OF FABRICS AND GUNS

Emphasizes Importance of Cotton Workers to Total War Effort

The following article was written by a Pepperell employee now on leave of absence with the War Department in Washington. His duties have taken him into one of the largest of the United States Arsenals, where many types of guns are being made. In this article he gives his impressions of what these guns mean to the Cotton-Textile business and to the success of our battle.

The roar of looms, the high whine of fast moving spinning frames, stands in great contrast to the quiet that prevails in a government arsenal where the men and women of America are machining the small and great guns that are going to be used by our soldiers and sailors on the fronts of the world.

But the quiet of a gun factory is an ominous quiet. On hundreds of lathes, on rifling machines, on whirring grinders, on hundreds of highly developed milling machines, the guns of battle are being produced so that on the field of battle they will fire accurately and long at the guns, tanks and planes of the enemy. If there is a contrast to be drawn between producing textiles and producing guns, it is probably just that guns are turned out in a factory where the silence is almost frightening, but they are used on fronts where the noise is almost deafening. At the same time, the purpose of producing guns and that of producing textiles is not distant.



Photo by U. S. Army Signal Corps

Here are the mosquito headnets that are mentioned in the story on this page. Many of those used are made from Pepperell Fabrics.

Textiles Afford Protection, Too

I have read of the dangers of the many poisonous insect bites that a soldier may get when he operates in any of the tropical zones of the world and how the greatest aid in avoiding these bites is not medicines, serums, or anti-toxins, but the simple and ugly mosquito bar—the mosquito cloth headnet that he wears over his head. Who would think of comparing the war-value of a gun and the value of a yard of sheeting or cheesecloth? But who, at the same time, would dare to say which was of greater value in the heat of the tropics where insects of many kinds are always looking for their own targets?

There's another thing that a person can't miss when he sees thousands of workers turning out all kinds of guns for our soldiers. Every single part, every single operation is not only inspected, but before a gun is even considered for shipment to a front, it must be worked

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BACK TO SCHOOL

The picture on the front cover of this month's Pepperell Sheet illustrates one of the best answers to the question, — "What are we fighting for?" We're fighting so that our youngsters can have the advantages of free education in the best public school system in the world — a system that is based on the words — "All men are created equal" and which gives every child a chance to prepare for life with a proper background of education — that's one of the things we're fighting for! And that's why we're going to win!



Abrasive Cloths finish off fine machine parts to minute tolerances to assure our Armed Forces of equipment that is perfect in every way.

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and fired, again and again, so that every part is in ideal functioning condition. (And incidentally, on the assembly line where they were putting the final touches on 90mm guns, I ran across Alcide St. Pierre from Lewiston, Maine, who said he used to be a garage mechanic there. He sent everyone his best wishes.) The immaculate skill that is used to check every part of every gun is done, not for the purpose of deliberately finding fault with the parts produced, but because the Army knows that a variance of 3/10,000 of an inch in the barrel of an anti-aircraft gun will make the soldier miss the target—and who knows but that the enemy plane will then get the soldier. Accuracy in ordnance plants is a matter of life and death, and every worker knows this.

Soldiers Rely on Bandoleers

Here again I couldn't help but think of another comparison between a plant making guns and another making cloth for soldier bandoleers. As you know, a bandoleer is a series of cloth pockets that a soldier fills with shell clips and then flings over his shoulder as he goes into battle. As he needs more shells he pulls them out of the bandoleer. This could happen—a soldier, having filled his bandoleer with shell clips, scouts out the enemy, maybe on the desert, maybe in a destroyed town. He carries his rifle at hip position ready to shoot. He sees a target, fires a clip full of shells and reaches for more. Supposing the cloth from which the bandoleer was made was weak, that it broke as he pulled out the clip, and that he lost many valuable minutes in picking it up, getting the next clip of shells out. "For want of a nail a shoe was lost, for want of a shoe a horse was lost, for want of a horse a kingdom was lost." And that's not far wrong. The people who are making textiles for o battle are making them for the boys at the front, f the soldiers who are protecting what we are working fo No one needs to be told that they need the right kin of cloth, just the same as they need the right kind guns. The failure of a bandoleer, of the cloth in to be ready to serve a soldier when he needs it, th failure of a mosquito headnet when it's needed, the things are just as vital to the soldier's welfare as makin large and small guns accurately and well.

Importance of Two Jobs Equal

If a strict comparison were to be made between th relative importance of the work being done by men an women making guns, or ships, or tanks, with the wor being done by men and women making many kinds o cotton textiles, it would be this. One job is not mor important than the other. The business of spinnin or weaving cloth is just as important as that of makin or machining big guns, tanks, airplane parts, or an other of the jobs of this sort. After all, the war is no going to be won by tank and gun factories only. It i going to be won by the whole combination of all kind of factories and mills producing what soldiers need. In this great American melting pot of production, any per son who has seen both the manufacture of guns and o textiles must be convinced that the importance of th two jobs is equal and that the cloth coming off cotton or rayon looms is as valuable to our success in battle as the production of guns.



Pvt. John Zieja, U. S. Army, who hails from Adams, Massachusetts, is one of the thousands of husky doughboys who recently arrived in England with the latest A.E.F. He is shown wearing the new type two-in-one helmet and herringbone twill fatigue clothes made from fabrics similar to that made by Pepperell for the government.

LINDALE IS PROUD OF ITS SNAPPY STATE GUARD UNIT

"BEST IN THE STATE" — MADE UP OF LOYAL LINDALE EMPLOYEES

In addition to making thousands upon thousands of yards of war fabrics for use by our Armed Forces, Pepperell's Lindale, Georgia, mill is contributing in another way to the safety of our country and the maintenance of all it stands for. It is doing this through its State Guard Unit, made up of Pepperell employes, which was recently commended for being the best such organization in the State of Georgia.

This unit, officially known as Unit No. 194, is a part of the Georgia State Guard and is under the direction of Lt. Ellis Whitehead, its commanding officer, who has done a splendid job. Both Lt. Whitehead and the men under his command are to be congratulated on the results they have achieved.

Mustered into state service on July 22, 1941, the Lindale unit was recently inspected by an inspector from the War Department and passed with flying colors, repaying them in part for their long hours of hard work and devotion to duty.



This snappy looking group of musicians is a part of Georgia State Guard Unit No. 194, made up entirely of employees from Pepperell's Lindale, Georgia, Mill. This unit was mustered into State service on July 22, 1941, and has been extremely active since that date.

On the report sheet made out by the inspecting officer was noted the following remarks: "The utter excellence of this unit can be attributed to the cooperation of Pepperell, the efficiency of the unit commander and the high I.Q. of enlisted men. This unit and the Pepperell Company *deserve* commendation. Briefly—it has everything (including a band)."

Letters of Commendation

In addition to this, letters of commendation were also received from other high ranking officers, both in the State Guard and in the War Department itself. Major General John F. Williams, Chief of the National Guard Bureau in Washington, in a memorandum to the Commanding General of the Fourth Corps area, expressed his satisfaction with the excellent showing made by the Lindale Unit and further noted that their accomplishment had been recorded in the Bureau.

The pictures on this page show officers and enlisted men of this Pepperell-Lindale Unit—the best State Guard unit in the State of Georgia!



The Color Guard of Georgia State Guard Unit No. 194, like all other members, is composed of Pepperell employees. In the background is Pepperell's Lindale Mill.



Here they are—enlisted men and officers of Unit No. 194—the best State Guard Unit in the State of Georgia! This Unit is sponsored by Pepperell and all members are employees of the Lindale Mill.

HOSPITAL PLAN PAYS $19,666.50 DURING YEAR TO 325 EMPLOYEES

EMPLOYEES OF BIDDEFORD AND LEWISTON RECEIVE BENEFITS UNDER PLAN

During the past year, 325 employees of Pepperell's Biddeford and Lewiston plants received a total of $19,666.50 as benefits from the Hospital and Surgical plan —$19,666.50 that they would have had to pay themselves if they hadn't been covered by this insurance. That's a lot of money in anybody's language and it was a tremendous help to most of these people.

To show that accident or illness can strike most any place, one out of every seven persons who had this insurance had something happen during the year that required hospital attention. Some, who were more unfortunate than others, had to go to the hospital more than once during this period and the insurance company paid the bills each time. These are the people who say, "I wouldn't be without this insurance, ever again.

Payments Range from $2.50 to $219

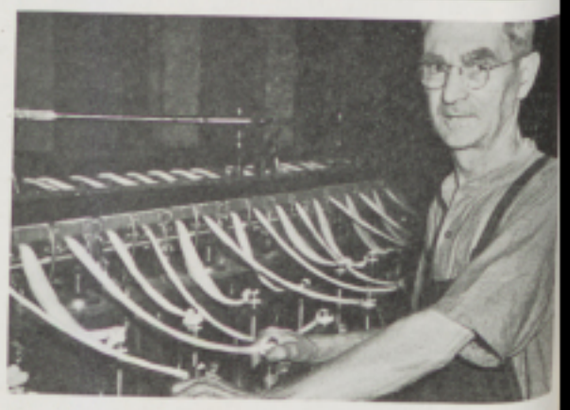
Some of the payments were large ones and some were small—all depending on the seriousness of the illness or accident. One payment totaled $219, while another only came to $2.50, but each was covered by the Plan and this money did not have to come from the individuals.

Of the 325 people from both mills who collected benefits under the plan, 237 were women and 88 were men. The largest number of claims were for operations, with 146 people putting in claims under this classification, while the next largest cause of expense was for Medical Illnesses with 79 persons collecting on that account. Seventy mothers of new born children had their doctor's and hospital expenses paid under this plan and 12 persons were treated for Dental ailments during the year. The remaining 18 claims covered hospitalization due to Accidents.

The pictures on this and the following page show clearly and decisively just what some of the employees think of this excellent insurance plan. They've had a chance to try it out and are all mighty thankful that they had it when the bills started to roll in.



People who are in doubt whether to purchase Hospitalization Insurance would do well to talk with Amanda Savoie, employed in room 13-1 at Biddeford. She is very much satisfied with the insurance and will keep it as long as it is in force at Pepperell.



Nazire Beaupre advises everyone to take out the insurance. He never noticed the deduction of 19 cents a week but would certainly notice the hospital bill if he hadn't taken out a policy. Both his wife and son who work with Pepperell, have the insurance, too.



Mrs. Anna Brault is perfectly satisfied with her policy. When entering the hospital, all she did was to show her policy. Not only that, but there is a lot of worry eliminated when one knows the hospital bill is going to be paid right away.



Blanche Mininni is very pleased with her policy. And here is why. She had a tonsilectomy and had to return to the hospital for the second time. Her insurance covered both times, which helped her a lot in paying her bills.



Marcel Mayotte believes that no person can afford not to take out a policy of this kind, for it is a great protection to himself and family. He never noticed the small weekly deduction on his pay check and when he was discharged from the hospital, most of his bill was paid.



What Nancy Sawyer thinks should be read by the younger group who are thinking about taking insurance. She says, "For any young person starting out in life with little money in reserve, a policy of this type serves as a reservoir in the event that an employee is taken suddenly ill." As you know, this insurance only costs a few cents each week.



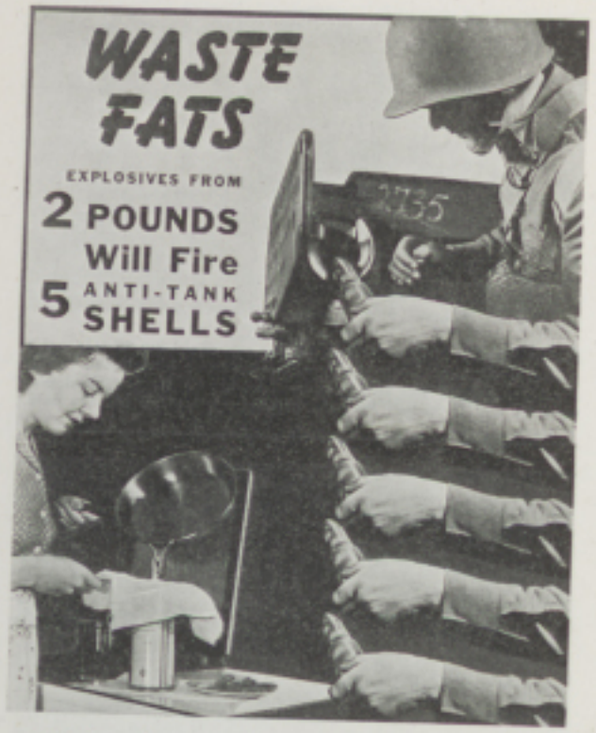
Mrs. Lucille Croteau and 6 months old daughter, Claudette, the first child to be born in Lewiston in 1942. Mrs. Croteau has the insurance and says "it is a comforting thought, while sick, not to have to think of expenses. My insurance covered the entire bill."



Ernest Edwards says, "I wouldn't be without the Hospitalization Insurance for it helped me a lot. In fact, it practically paid all my bills. I have used it twice and was satisfied both times."



Second Hand Robert Gregoire believes that a person who doesn't like this insurance must have something wrong with him. He presented his bills which totaled $165 and they were paid immediately.



Millions of pounds of glycerine are needed to assure our fighting forces and those of our allies, the explosives which they need to combat the Axis—the explosives that bring Axis planes down from the skies, that stop their tanks and that sink their ships. And you—the women of America, can help to build up a substantial reserve of this highly important glycerine by saving cooking fats!

It sounds easy and it is easy—but the need is urgent and there is no time to waste. The government has announced that the supply of vegetable fats which we formerly received from the Far East has been greatly reduced due to the war in the Pacific. These fats were the basis for our manufacture of glycerine and glycerine is needed to make explosives. Cooking fats have been found satisfactory as a substitute for the non-available vegetable fats—the same cooking fats that you formerly threw away.

Follow These Directions

Here's how you can help to win the war by assuring the munition makers of a sufficient supply of glycerine to maintain peak production of badly needed shells and other explosives. There's dynamite in your kitchen—and Uncle Sam will pay you for it.

The first step is to save all your waste cooking fats; the drippings from beef, lamb, poultry, ham, steaks, chops, bacon and all other meats; and also the deep fats from fried potatoes, doughnuts, fish, etc. The best way to save these fats, and the manner that is approved by the government, is to immediately pour the fat into a clean, wide-mouthed can such as a coffee or vegetable shortening container. The fats should be strained as they are poured so that all impurities are removed.

The container you use should be kept in a cool, dark place until you have collected one pound or more. When the container is full, take it to your regular meat dealer. He'll weigh it, pay you so much for each pound and then start it on its way to the war industries that need it.

Here are four things to avoid: 1) Don't take less than one pound at a time to your dealer. 2) Don't take your fats to the meat dealer in glass containers or paper bags. 3) Don't let fats stand so long that they become rancid. If they do they lose a lot of their power. 4) Don't take fats to your dealer on week-ends. Cooperate with him by taking them during the week when he isn't too busy.

Here's a definite part that you and all other patriotic citizens can take to help put our boys in the Army and the Navy and all the other fighting units on an equal basis with the enemy—to give them the shells and other explosives they need so badly. Every time you cook a meal you can add a little more to the supply of glycerine our country needs. It doesn't take much time and it's well worth the effort. Start saving now!

MRS. IRENE GILPATRICK, NEW 3rd SHIFT NURSE



The Management at the Biddeford plant is pleased to announce that Mrs. Irene Gilpatrick has accepted the position of nurse on the third shift to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of Miss Martha Curley who was recently married.

Mrs. Gilpatrick has made many acquaintances in Biddeford while Floor Supervisor at the Webber Hospital. She has done considerable work in private nursing and has had several years' experience in public health service; in fact, she organized the public health service in Sanford, Maine.

Born in North Brookfield, Massachusetts, she attended the public schools in Spencer and was graduated from the Worcester Memorial Hospital in 1920 and later received a scholarship at Simmons College after specializing in a public health course.

We welcome Mrs. Gilpatrick to the Pepperell organization and wish her well in her new duties. She resides with her family on Summit Street. Her son, Harvey, 12, attends the St. Louis school in Biddeford.

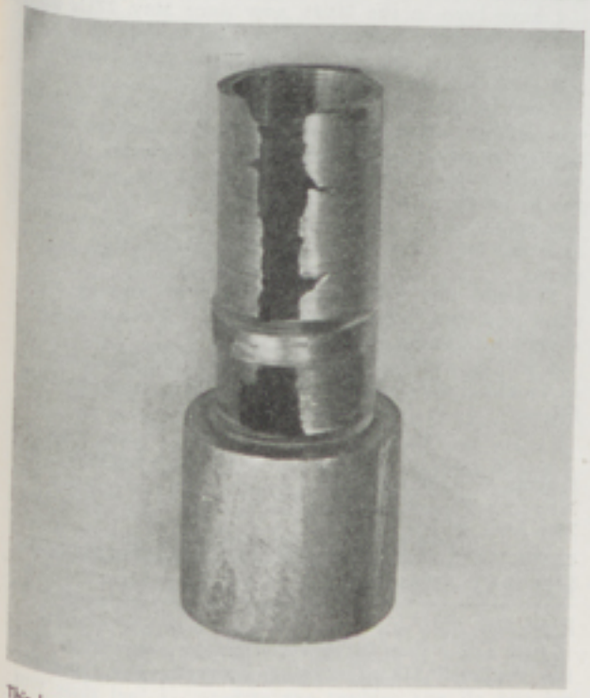
HELP PREVENT FIRES!

Fires Help to Sabotage Our National War Effort Through Loss of Valuable Production — Read This Page Carefully and Do Your Part!

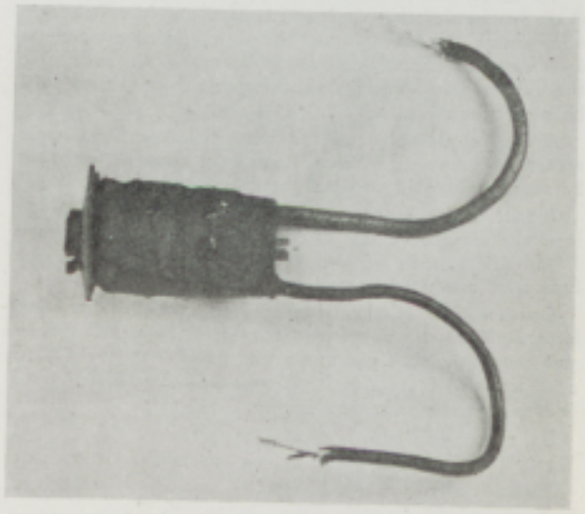
When we think of fires we usually think of matches. But — in talking with Fire Prevention Engineer Robert Nutter at Biddeford the other day he pointed out to us the fact that many fires never have any connection with matches. That sounded pretty funny to us and we asked him to tell us more about it. So he had three pictures taken and proved his point. Study them because we all can learn a lesson from them. Help prevent fires!



See the "hollowed-out" spot on the top of this friction fork. That was caused from improper adjustment which made the fork wear in the wrong place. Friction was set up at this spot and the fork became so hot it ignited the lint on the loom and there was a small fire. See that all parts are properly adjusted.



This bushing, on one side, is worn to nothing. It got that way because it was not properly lubricated. When it wore away some of the chips dropped, caused a spark that ignited the lint on the machine and a fire resulted. A few drops of oil regularly and properly applied would have prevented this.



This is an electric stop motion which caused a fire because it became overheated. This fire could have been prevented if the machine operator had reported the very slight shock which must have been felt before the fire occurred. If your machine doesn't run absolutely right at all times, report it. You may prevent a fire.

HAVE YOU WRITTEN A SERVICE MAN YET THIS WEEK?

READ THE LETTERS ON THESE TWO PAGES—THESE BOYS WANT LETTERS MORE THAN ANYTHING ELSE—DON'T LET THEM DOWN—WRITE A LETTER TO ONE OF THEM TODAY! LET THEM KNOW YOUR RIGHT WITH THEM!



Craig Loomis, whose interesting letter is reproduced below, is shown here holding his outfit's flag at the Training Station at Newport.

FROM MISSISSIPPI

Dear Sir:

Here is my best to the people of Pepperell.

Here is a little something I would like to say to the people who have friends and relatives in the Service. Please think of the boys who are spending the best years of their lives in the Army. Try and write to them a little more often.

We know the people of Pepperell are doing their share in the defense of their country and they haven't very much time to waste, but I'm sure they can at least drop us a card, or even a letter. I am sure that the fellow who receives that letter or post card will be more than pleased.

If the people only realized what a letter from home means to a boy in Service, I am sure that they would be more than glad to sit right down and write.

I will never forget the day I left Pepperell to go into the service of my country. With a heavy heart I left my friends of Pepperell. They all wished me luck and promised to write.

Quite a few of the boys are still waiting for that letter. So will you please, people of Pepperell, when you read this, sit right down and drop that boy a card or a letter? I am sure that you will feel better, and you will make some boy happy.

So come on, gang, what do you say? Let's go! *Write tonight!*

Thanking you very kindly, I remain your friend in Service,

Pfc. Leonard Courtois
Company H—103rd Inf.
43rd Division
Camp Shelby, Mississippi.

FROM RHODE ISLAND

Dear Sir:

I have been in the Navy now since May 27th and don't regret one moment of it. The food is fine and plentiful. Everyone here seems to be very contented and glad that they are in.

I would like to have written to you sooner and to some of my fellow workers, but due to a short memory, I was unable to remember their addresses. I have thought several times that if I wrote to you, you could get in touch with them and give them my address. I was employed in the blanket and weaving department as a cut-boy. This is all the information that I can offer.

I would like very much to keep in contact with them and you. The Pepperell Sheet, I have found, is a very interesting magazine.

I will be waiting to hear from you and your success in locating my friends. Most of them were battery fillers.

Very truly yours,
Craig A. Loomis, USN

Seaman Guards Unit 1
Newport Training Station
Newport, Rhode Island

FROM GEORGIA

Dear Sir:

Just a few lines in appreciation for everything that the Pepperell Manufacturing Company has done for me and all our soldiers everywhere. I feel that you have done more than your share in cheering our boys who carry arms, and I am sure that they all feel the same way I do. I am always glad to hear from you and my friends back home that are working so hard



Pvt. Andrew Tremblay is the author of the very fine letter reproduced below. He formerly worked at the Biddeford Mill.

for us so that they can produce everything we need to fight this war. In return, we promise that we will not fail them. Their sacrificing efforts shall not be in vain.

I have been in different camps, and you can rest assured that the boys in the Army are not sleeping on the job. They are working hard, sometimes from sunrise to sunset, but it's worth it because we are learning how to defend our beautiful country and Old Glory flying like I saw it on last month's Pepperell Sheet. That was the best picture that the Pepperell Sheet ever had on its cover, a flag that every true American should be proud to fight for. So keep on working hard and write to us often as we need your help and cheers, and with your help I am sure that we'll win this war, even if we have to die for it.

Your friend, as ever,
Pvt. Andrew Tremblay
431st Bn, Sept. A. C.
Camp Stewart, Georgia

FROM OVERSEAS

Dear Sir:

You asked me what I wanted most, cigarettes or letters. I'd prefer to have letters cause the cigarettes down here are cheap, only 8c a pack, and letters, well you can't buy them.

We are on an Island Somewhere in the Pacific. There are only two native women down here and quite a few natives. Last week we had the natives dancing and singing in their language, and boy what fun we had! We also have moving pictures once a week. I have been on the Island for over 5 months.

I am very glad to hear that the mills are working good. I wish they would keep on like that forever, but I hope the war will be over soon.

Today is the fourth of July and not a single thing to do except write letters. I am going to radio school 3 times a week and I like it very much.

Sincerely,
Pvt. Gerard Boisvert
Co. A 102 Inf.
A.P.O. 915 c/o Postmaster
San Francisco, California

FROM OKLAHOMA

Dear Sir:



Pvt. Victor Soulard

I am getting along swell in this Army and I like it very much. In other words it's a swell place to be in, the Army Air Corps. I'd like to tell you how nice it is down here. It is a very beautiful state and the boys down here are nice boys. I am the only boy from Maine. I wish to thank you for the Bonus Check which made me feel very happy.

I have been a student cook for the last three months and I cancelled that to be a truck driver. I am in a swell outfit and we have a lot of pleasure after our day is done. We have a dance every night with the most beautiful girls I have ever seen.

The food down here is very good. I've gained twenty pounds in six months.

The only thing that I want is a letter from you often because I'm always glad to receive one. Well, sir, that's all I can say, so tell everyone hello for me and I hope to see them some day again.

Very truly,
Pvt. Victor T. Soulard
Co. 798, W. M. Trk. Detach.
Will Rogers Air Base
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma.



Pvt. Alexander Gallant worked for almost 5 years in the Spinning Room at Biddeford, and has now been in the Army almost 5 months. He wanted to be remembered to all his friends back in Biddeford.

Automatic Bucket Conveyor System Used at Lewiston

"FLYING FORTRESS" TRANSPORTS SHEETING FROM CALENDARS TO STILL STORAGE ROOM

To prevent excess wrinkling and soiling of fabrics, to save storage space and to eliminate any human strain caused by lifting or lowering, the Lewiston Mill has recently installed an automatic bucket conveyor system for transporting sheeting from the Calendars to the still storage room. This machine, affectionately called the "flying fortress" was designed and installed under the supervision of Mr. C. R. Ekholm of the Ekholm Associates, management consultants.

A specially designed roll bucket automatically takes two half-ton rolls from the Calendar up through one floor, through several rooms into the roll storage room. Here it stops, drops the bucket, empties it and goes back to its starting point for another ton of cloth. Traveling on a mono-rail this almost human machine is fitted with many types of safety devices.

Can Store 1,500,000 Yards

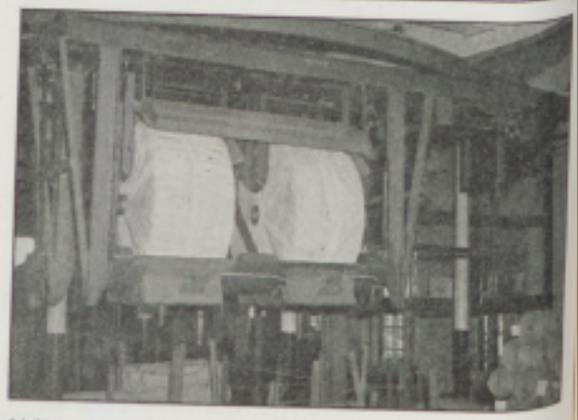
The roll storage room is unique in many ways as it can handle up to 1,500,000 yards of rolled cloth in its three tiers. This necessitates using but one quarter of the floor space previously required. When the bucket dumps the rolls, they travel down pitched raceways to an automatic roll distributor at the farther end. With the guidance of a single operator, these rolls are distributed according to styles and widths of cloth. The rolls travel down a permanent storage raceway which is also pitched, so that about eight tons of cloth can be stored in each raceway without being touched by a human hand.

Another unique feature of this storage system is the "bumper gate" which absorbs the energy created by the momentum of the heavy rolls. When the gate is lowered, this bumper acts as a gangplank for the roll to enter a discharge elevator. The gate is designed so that only one roll at a time can leave the rack. The discharge elevator takes rolls from any one of the 72 racks and delivers them to a pitched raceway into the Sheet Factory. Once in the Sheet Factory, these rolls are delivered to the tearing tables by a small car which the employees have nicknamed "the jeep".

The installation of this system not only makes the cloth more convenient to handle in every respect, but it eliminates the unnecessary wrinkling of the cloth which would require additional mangling and also unnecessary soiling which would require additional laundering.



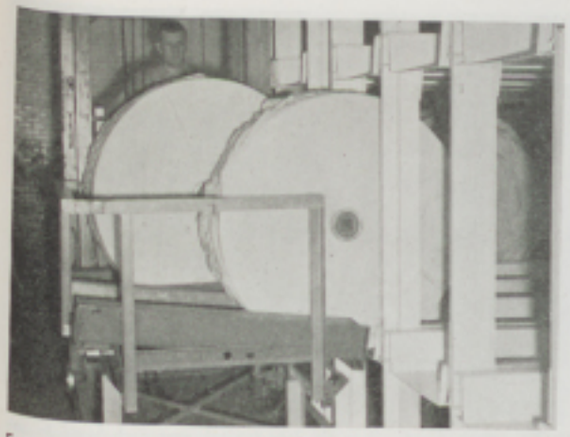
Goods are calendered, double doubled and wound into rolls of approximately 1,500 yards each. By means of an automatic bucket conveyor, the rolls are transported to the storage racks. Goods in this picture are being placed in the conveyor.



Making a 45 degree turn, the cloth is in transit to the storage racks. Though it doesn't appear to weigh a great deal, this load will tip the scales to approximately a ton. The entire system is automatic and the only time a switch is pressed is directly after the cloth has been loaded, and the conveyor returned and again loaded.



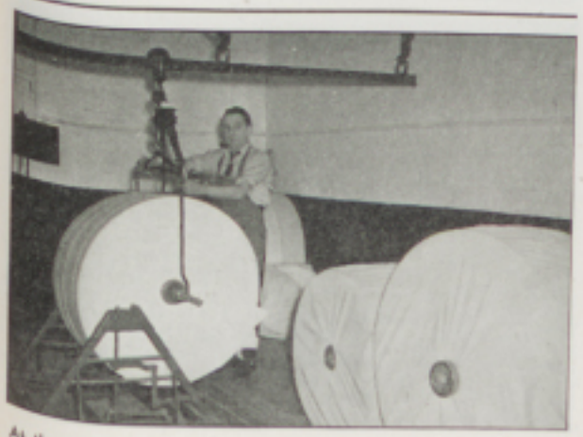
This view shows the storage racks. The widths are segregated as to width and style and easily accessible to secure for the next operation. John Yakawonis holds the "trip" to show how a roll from storage will be taken and placed on another portable elevator to discharge the roll into the sheet tearing room.



From the troughs, the rolls are picked up and placed on a portable elevator, to carry the rolls to the storage racks. This picture shows the roll being dumped into the storage rack which is built on an incline. Because of the weight of the roll, all lifting is done by power.



Discharged from the portable elevator, the rolls wait their turn to be taken and torn into the proper lengths. The trough is constructed on an incline so that after one roll at the end is taken the others move up into position. Note how the rolls are still covered to keep the cloth clean.



At the end of the trough, Lionel Blais hoists the rolls on to the roll carrier which conveys the cloth to the sheet tearing tables. At this point in the system, the rolls are uncovered because they are immediately torn to proper length.

BEATRICE DESILETS, R. N. RETURNS TO BIDDEFORD

TAKES OVER FIRST AID WORK DURING MEAL HOURS



With this issue of the Sheet, we welcome back Miss Beatrice Desilets, R. N., to the plant at Biddeford. She is no newcomer to this plant for she served the employees on the third shift during part of the years of '40 and '41. This time she comes to us to act in a dual capacity; that of stenographic work and assisting in first aid. Her employment hours will be advantageous to all employees as she will be on duty for first aid work during meal hours making the clinic available to the employees every minute of the twenty-four hours a day.

Miss Desilets was born in Biddeford, attended the parochial schools and was graduated from Biddeford High School in the class of 1918. After three years of local employment she pursued a course in nursing at St. Mary's General Hospital at Lewiston where she was graduated in 1924. Since that time she has performed private duty, aided the sick in the various hospitals of the state and substituted in the local Red Cross Chapter.

On behalf of Miss Desilets, we make mention of the fact that we are sure that she would like to see her old friends and would be pleased to make new ones. At the same time, this will provide an opportunity for many of the employees who have not as yet inspected the new clinic to do so.

FALL RIVER EMPLOYEES HELP TO CONSERVE GAS

It's an old saying that "every cloud has a silver lining" and when the gasoline rationing came along a good many people felt pretty badly about it. Some of them began to think that even with so very little gasoline to put in the old bus they were a lot better off than the people in the occupied countries of Europe. We may have some of our gasoline and driving pleasures taken from us but thank goodness, we haven't any Hitler to trample us underfoot.

It's a funny thing about life but when we are enjoying some things we are missing other things.

Now that we haven't the bus to run around in we turn back to those simple things that our Mothers and Fathers used to enjoy when they didn't even know of such a thing as an automobile.

Pepperell people in goodly numbers are finding that they can enjoy life maybe a little more without gasoline and the old bus than they did when they did a lot of running around. A group of such people were talking about this new situation when your Roving Reporter was in Fall River a short time ago. In picture and story we tell you some of their new found experiences.



Instead of using his car for pleasure riding these nice evenings Manuel Branco is aiding Civilian Defense by being a Post Warden in his neighborhood. It is his duty to look over each home to see that there are ample exits to the building, attics in good order and other ARP rules enforced.



Down in the corn field, which helps to make up a two acre Victory garden, Manuel Moniz now finds time to pick corn for his wife to can for next winter's consumption. We bet she will use that easy canning method designed in Pepperell's canning pamphlet which was distributed to all employees.



Since they have jacked their car up "for the duration" the Gaudreau family now finds time for many of those pleasant strolls they never did take in auto-days. Eddie, Mary Lou and Mrs. Gaudreau see a lot of things today that they missed when they whizzed by.



The "children's hour" in the Rosario Martel home. Robert 7, and Richard 5, playing the last hand 'round; Roger 4 "reading" the pictures to Victor 2; while Dad reads a detective story and Mother scans the headlines. Their car? Oh, that's a "duration subject."



The time Hilda Cowgill ordinarily spent in pleasure driving is now devoted to Civilian Defense. She is First Lieutenant in the Ambulance Division of the Massachusetts Women's Defense Corps.



Joseph Pontifice who lives on Stafford Road, Fall River, now finds that he has time to improve his property. He is installing a water system in his home by digging a ditch from the well to his house.



A nice quiet evening with the Conner family. Daddy Roy catches up on the news, Mother Genevieve catches up with the mending, sister Mary Jane catches up with Superman, and brother Roy, Jr. catches a Jap army approaching.



When the day's work is done at the mill they pedal home on bicycles. People who live a great distance from the mill will do well to copy Joseph Duperre, Auguste Lizard and Rene Beaupre. Get in touch with your rationing board to see if you're eligible to buy one of the new "Victory" bicycles.



Mrs. Bella Ralph and daughter Mabel spend their evenings "knitting one and purling two" for the Red Cross—a fine contribution in the war effort. Another fine contribution we can make, is car-pooling. Register immediately at the main office of your respective plant.

PROMOTIONS at BIDDEFORD

The Biddeford Mill Management is pleased to announce that effective on August 10th, the following promotions have been made.

Mr. Bernard F. Brady, who has been Foreman of the Sheeting Carding departments has been appointed Assistant Superintendent in the Sheeting Division. His duties will make him responsible for all production matters of all departments of the Sheeting Division.

Mr. J. William Sweetsir, Jr., has been appointed Overseer of Carding in the Sheeting Division to take Mr. Brady's place.

Mr. Leonel Drouin has been appointed as Assistant Overseer of Weaving in the Sheeting Division.

Mr. Omer Martel has been appointed Second Hand to take Mr. Drouin's place.

In making these appointments Mr. Cook said, "I feel that in each of these cases the recognition being given is well deserved, also that our Company is fortunate in having such men available to fill these responsible positions. I am sure that everyone will give their wholehearted cooperation and support to these men in their respective positions."

READ THIS WAR BOND QUIZ— THEN ACT!



Uncle Sam has a secret weapon. You can't see it. You can't touch it, yet it has carried us through six major wars. It will carry us through another. That secret weapon is Unity. The voluntary effort of all races, all creeds, all individuals to unite and help America to win this war by buying more and MORE War Bonds. Our boys, your brother, your son, in Alaska, Iceland, Australia, Ireland, Newfoundland and other countries need your support. Help him, help yourself and help your government by purchasing War Bonds until it hurts.

Q. What is the easiest way to purchase bonds?

A. Through the payroll allotment plan. The payroll department deducts the amount you request each week, and when the money has accumulated to the amount of a bond, they will deliver one to you. It's as simple as that.

Q. Are war bonds as good as money?

A. They are better than money, for they earn more money. Like a dollar bill, a war bond is a "promise to pay" backed by the full weight of the U. S. Government.

Q. Suppose you have a fire and the bonds are burned; or a thief breaks in and steals them. What then?

A. You do NOT lose your money. Every bond is registered in your name at Washington. NOTHING can prevent you or your family from getting your money back with interest.

Q. Why is the payroll savings plan the best way to buy bonds?

A. It is the fastest, surest, easiest way for your government to get the money. It is safe, sure, automatic and helps you save regularly without hardly missing the amount deducted.

Q. Where is this money spent?

A. It is spent right here in America, and helps to pay, train, arm, feed, and clothe the armed forces. Your money does this.

Q. What can I do with the money ten years from now?

A. Among many things is every man's dream: accumulate money to buy a home, or a farm, to put a child through college, to travel, to spend your old age in peace and comfort.

Q. When can I start having the money deducted from my pay?

A. NOW—today. President Roosevelt has the answer when he said, "Lost ground can always be regained. Lost time—never."



Because Ezrem Jezar is buying bonds through the payroll deduction plan, he is helping to defend America at home. When the bonds are at maturity value, he is going to use the money to help send his son to college.



Clemintine Ladakakos knows that this country needs men and equipment and that means we all must buy more and more bonds. She has two children and by investing over 20% of her wages in bonds, ten years from now the money from these bonds will greatly aid in the education of these children.



Armand Bellard who works in the Blanket Weave Room at the Biddeford Mill buys a bond every month on the payroll deduction plan. His wife who also works for Pepperell also buys a bond every month. And these two people give their seven year old daughter a dollar's worth of stamps each week.

AIR OBSERVATION POST IN BIDDEFORD IDEALLY LOCATED

STAFFED BY VOLUNTEER DEFENSE WORKERS WHO ENJOY THRILLING JOB

"The observation posts are the eyes and ears of the Army offensively and of the OCD defensively", said L. C. Fortier, Maine State Director of the Air Warning Service. The U. S. Army Signal Corps recently issued orders to select a location in Biddeford and erect an Observation Post. A committee from the Phillip Tighe American Legion Post got busy and selected a site which was immediately approved by Capt. L. G. Morrison of the U. S. Army, officer in charge of the Aircraft Warning Service in the Boston region, and by G. J. Carlz, Veterans Representative of the Office of Civilian Defense.

A fine observation tower has been erected on land loaned for the purpose—a building constructed of wood and tarred paper covering. The tower is reached by a short flight of steps. The tower itself is about four feet square and has windows on all four sides and a chair for the observer. The main room of the post is equipped with a desk, several chairs, a stove, telephone and other required equipment. The post is located so that it commands a fine view of a 25 square mile area.

The actual operation of the post is carried on by two persons at a time. They have a tour of duty of two to four hours depending upon the availability of local personnel. The Chief Air Observer of the Ground Observation Corps of the U. S. Army has asked that all citizens of Biddeford who are not signed up with Civilian Defense can be of good service to this community by watching for planes. Interested persons should contact Daniel R. Winship, Chief Air Observer for Biddeford.



Situated to command a view of approximately 25 square miles, this observation tower near Biddeford is the eyes and ears for the whole Civilian Defense organization. The building is suitably equipped with furniture, stove, telephone and other required equipment.



The inspecting party of Biddeford's new observation tower. Left to right: D. R. Winship, Chief Air Observer; Capt. L. G. Morrison, officer in charge of Aircraft Warning Service in Boston Region; Chas. Whitworth, a Pepperell employee and Asst. Chief Observer; Mayor Louis B. Lessier, Chief of Civilian Defense; Alfred Prejean, a Pepperell employee and Commander of Phil Tighe American Legion Post; and G. J. Carls, Veterans Representative of the American Legion.

"Army Flash" Clears Wires

There is a certain amount of fascination in this work for the observer is continually on the alert, scanning the skies to see a plane and when one does appear, there is the excitement of uncertainty in wondering if the plane will come close enough to give an exact description to the filter center. After the plane is sighted, one observer goes to the phone and calls "Army Flash". When acknowledgement is made, he reports the number of planes, number of motors on plane, height, distance in miles, direction of flight, date and time and then the code number of the post. On dark or foggy days, or nights, when the planes cannot be sighted, report is made of the sound of the planes and the apparent direction they are taking. A log book is kept and entries are made of all calls sent to the filter post.

In case an unauthorized flight is reported, the interceptor command is immediately advised for whatever offensive action is necessary. The whole Civilian Defense organization of air raid wardens, fire fighters, first aid workers are on the alert and at their posts for action. It is the observer in the post who may sight that first enemy plane and to him, or her, will go the credit for alertness.

We are dependent on these volunteers who man the post and who freely give their services in this time of great need. Since this post is some distance from the center of population, cars for transportation to it are required. As these are not always available at the required time, it would be of assistance to the organization if car owners would volunteer to take observers to and from the post. An extra ration of gas is allowed for this work.

VOCATIONAL SCHOOL RE-OPENS TO HELP AMBITIOUS EMPLOYEES

PROVIDES BIDDEFORD EMPLOYEES WITH CHANCE TO LEARN FOR ADVANCEMENT

Pepperell, at its Biddeford plant, is to resume its Vocational Textile Training School in September. This school is set up to provide the employees with instruction on cotton textile manufacturing and to help the employee gain a better knowledge of mill operation. An invitation is open to every employee regardless of previous training or experience and offers an excellent opportunity to gain knowledge of textile service. We know of no better way by which this knowledge can be obtained. Competent instructors who have had many years experience in the textile industry, and who are well versed in their own field, will be on hand to lend their support in helping the employees gain this knowledge.

The training that the student will receive will better qualify him to advancement. The school training which they will receive will benefit them in their own behalf; to better appreciate and understand their own job; and to prepare them for better occupations. With better occupations comes an increase in wages. There are many such cases where employees have previously attended this school and their wages have been doubled, simply by attending and devoting a few hours each week to persuing the courses in textile manufacturing. Former employees now in the Armed Services have written us that the training they received in the school has been of great help to them in their Army training, and because of this help they have added another chevron to their coat sleeve. This is another example to show that the school training may be of great assistance to the employee in present and future years.


PEPPERELL MANUFACTURING COMPANY

TEXTILE VOCATIONAL SCHOOL

Certificate

In recognition of the satisfactory completion of weeks training in

IN COOPERATION WITH

THE STATE BOARD FOR VOCATIONAL EDUCATION

This attractive certificate will be presented to all employees satisfactorily completing courses in the Biddeford Mill Textile Vocational School. This school is being run in cooperation with the State Board for Vocational Education and will open in September.


From a Cleaner to a Second Hand, a result of Gerard Lamieux attending the vocational school. He believes it is the only thing to help a person advance in the various jobs, unless he should attend a regular textile school which is rather expensive. Pepperell's school involves no expense to the employee.

Enroll Now with Your Foreman

There are three distinct courses—practical, theoretical and cotton mill mathematics. The theoretical course will include the Carding, Spinning and Weaving operations where problems in theory pertaining to textile usages are worked out and discussed. The practical course will include the same operations as well as the art of correct loomfixing. Actual experience is received in this course by using the machinery in the plant for practical instructions. The course in cotton textile arithmetic will aid those who have temporarily forgotten the methods involved and a complete course will be given in relation to the various operations.

Employees who desire to take part in the classes may give their names to their Foreman. This should be done during the first two weeks in this month. Following this, individual interviews with the applicants will take place to ascertain what they are interested in and the best course for them to take, for their own good, to better themselves. Enrollments are voluntary and without cost to the employees.

At the conclusion of the course, those who have passed a satisfactory examination, will be entitled to a certificate for the studies they have completed. This certificate will have a very fine appearance, suitable for framing and something that every employee will be proud to own.

In a few days, more complete information will be posted on the bulletin boards. It is anticipated that new school room quarters will be had this year together with complete class room facilities and equipment.

LINES TO THE LADIES

★ *Compiled by Editors of American Cookery for The Pepperell Sheet* ★

To Market, To Market-

With a Victory Van in hand. Wheeling the family groceries home in a Van will save precious gasoline, tires and wrapping paper — and arm strain. This convenient "shopping-bag-on-wheels" can hold almost 80 pounds of groceries—yet it is light in weight and easy to carry when not full.

The bag itself has a leather-like surface which is washable. The frame is made of wood, mounted on two bright red wooden wheels. A back-rest holds the Van upright when standing still; then it is looped against the frame when in motion. (For information on where the Victory Van may be bought, its price, etc., write Lines to the Ladies, Pepperell Manufacturing Co., 260 State St., Boston, Mass.)



BE WISE, ECONOMIZE, AND PLAN MEALS AHEAD

It's more economical to buy food on a weekly basis, than day-by-day. *If food can be properly stored in your home,* buy large quantities (without hoarding!) and save money thereby.

For example, if your family takes 28 quarts of milk a week, buy it in half gallon quantities, instead of in daily quarts and pints. You can save money that way (and incidentally save the milkman's gasoline and tires for he won't have to make daily deliveries). *But* it all depends, of course, on whether or not you have a good refrigerator in which to store the milk. Be sure of this fact first.

In making menus, follow a simple pattern when thinking of the day's needs.

For example, a good breakfast pattern would be:

Fruit (fresh, canned, dried, quick-frozen, or fruit juices)
Cereal with milk, egg, bread and butter
Milk or other beverage

For luncheon or supper (depending on when main meal of day is served)

Main dish, with vegetables
Bread and butter
Milk and fruit or other dessert

For dinner

Meat, fish or poultry
Potatoes and another cooked vegetable, either leafy green or yellow
Salad or green or raw vegetables or fruit
Dessert and beverage

IS YOUR FAMILY DOING ITS PART FOR VICTORY?

Ask yourself these questions. Check up and make sure that the members of your household are doing their part in the Victory program.

1. Are they saving more dollars this year than they did last?
2. Are the children saving pennies?
3. Are the grown-ups putting money into war bonds and stamps each month?
4. Are they paying off debts as soon as possible on—Household equipment? Automobile? Doctors' bills? Clothes? Other debts?
5. Are they making and repairing things around the house? Are they cooperating with the neighbors in canning food, sharing tools for doing handiwork and odd repair jobs around each other's houses?
6. Are they *making* clothes and household articles for themselves that they used to *buy* in other years?
7. What clothes do they have, not being worn, that could be made wearable?
8. Do they all have a part in making family plans and carrying them out?
9. Are they having more good times together without spending extra money?
10. Are they studying first aid, nutrition, or taking part in other activities to help their community?



CABBAGE WITH A CAPITAL C

Cabbage is a rich source of vitamin C, and it is vitamin C that makes strong blood vessels, strong teeth, good bones, and healthy skin. Cabbage is cheap, and most nutritious when eaten raw. Try to buy very green or red cabbage with firm, well-trimmed heads. If your family likes it raw, serve it immediately after chopping it up so that none of the vitamin content will be lost. If they prefer it cooked, wash it thoroughly (of course), then shred it or cut it in eighths or quarters, then put it in 1 inch of boiling water in a tightly-covered saucepan and let it cook for 8 to 15 minutes. Don't let it overcook. Cook it just long enough to make it taste good. One and one-half to 2 pounds will serve six people.

I WANT to HELP WIN THIS WAR

Dear Editor:

I am saving fats and greases left over from cooking. I pour the grease into a tin can and when I have a pound collected, I take it down to my market man. I read that fat like this contains glycerine from which explosives can be made.

MARIE, Biddeford

Dear Editor:

One thing I think we all could do to help out the war effort is to cut down on the number of telephone calls we make. I don't talk as long on the telephone as I used to. Nor do I make as many calls. I know the government is asking us to cut down, and I'm really doing it!

M.D., Fall River

($1.00 will be paid for each letter which is published in the Pepperell Sheet telling how you are helping win the war. Address: Lines to the Ladies, The Pepperell Mfg. Co., 160 State St., Boston, Mass.)

DO YOU KNOW THIS SUGARLESS DESSERT?

It's something like Brown Betty, but doesn't take a grain of sugar. Try it. Your family will enjoy it.

Crumble sixteen ordinary graham crackers and use half of them to line a greased pan. Add a generous portion of cooked sliced apples and some fresh or canned pineapple (you can use almost any fruit, fresh, canned or preserved) and then spread the remaining graham cracker crumbs over the top.

Pour over all about four tablespoons of maple sirup and two tablespoons of melted butter. Cook in a moderate oven (350 F.-375 F.), or until nice and brown. Serve it hot, either with whipped cream or fruit. The family will be sure to ask for "seconds".

The maple sirup and graham crumbs, combined that way, make a crunchy, candy-like crust. Everyone will find it hard to believe that no sugar has been used.

PICNIC SUGGESTIONS FOR INDOORS OR OUT

You'll want one stick-to-the-ribs dish in the menu. If you're going to an open air picnic spot, prepare it at home; then wrap it heavily in newspapers to keep it hot. Here are some suggestions:

- Scalloped potatoes with cheese
- Spaghetti and tomato sauce
- Baked beans and pork
- Roast corn in husks (this, of course, out-doors)
- Macaroni and cheese
- Chili con carne with kidney beans
- Hashed brown potatoes and bacon and eggs

Picnics At Home:

—Save Gas
—Save Tires
—Save Time
—Less Linen
—Fewer dishes
—More fun

Helps Family Morale!



FOR A HOLIDAY PARTY

The Labor Day week end calls for family and neighborhood get-togethers. Plan a beach party or a treasure hunt and be sure to invite some servicemen to join your group that day. Here's a good menu:

Chilled tomato juice
Casserole of Ham (see recipe below) Green Salad
Hot Rolls or Bread and Butter
Fresh Pears, Plums, Grapes, or Apples
Coffee, Tea, Milk or Ginger Ale



CASSEROLE OF HAM
Inexpensive Party Dish

- 2 cups of cooked ham, cut in small cubes
- 4 cups raw white potatoes, sliced thin
- 6 tablespoons flour
- ½ teaspoon salt
- ¼ teaspoon pepper
- 2 tablespoons condiment sauce
- 4 tablespoons flaked cereal, crushed
- 6 tablespoons butter (or substitute)
- 1½ cups milk

Prepare the ham and the potatoes. Butter a two-quart casserole dish. In the bottom, place a layer of the sliced potatoes, using about one-third the amount prepared. Sprinkle with one-third of the flour, salt, pepper, and condiment sauce, and dot with one-third of the butter.

Cover this with one-half the ham. Repeat the layer of potatoes, and the layer of ham and condiments, completing the dish with the remaining potatoes. Cover with the flaked cereal before dotting the last layer with butter. Pour the milk over all, and bake for one hour at 350 deg. F. (moderate oven.)



DAUGHTER DOES THE SERVING

The 14-year-old daughter of the house takes great pride in serving dinner correctly. Here are some good pointers:

After she has set the table, and just before the family comes in to sit down, she pours the water into each glass and puts butter onto each butter plate.

Whenever she brings in a hot dish such as is shown in the picture, she uses a folded white napkin underneath it, balancing the platter at the very edge with the tips of her fingers.

When she passes a plate of hot rolls, for example, she passes it to each person, standing at the left, and holding the plate low, so that he can take a roll with his right hand.

She places salads and beverages at the right of each person.

She never places her thumb over the edge of a plate.

She takes away dishes from the left of each person.

When filling water glasses, she never lifts a glass from the table.

She draws it to the edge of the table if the reach is difficult.

KEEP GREENS FRESH BY—

Washing them as soon as they're brought into the house. Drain them. Place them in a clean, large glass jar, bowl or pan which has a tightly fitting cover. Place at once in the refrigerator or a cold place.

Greens prepared in this way remain crisp and fresh for three or more days—just as they do in a hydrator. This is a better way than wrapping them in cheesecloth.

DON'T WASTE COFFEE

The supply of coffee coming from South America to this country has decreased a great deal in the past year. Nazi submarines have sunk a number of the boats bringing coffee to our cities.

Do you know these eight ways in which you can help save the supply that is on hand?

1. Buy coffee by the pound as needed, every few days, as you would other perishable foods.
2. Choose the right grind for your type of coffee pot. Ask for a drip grind, if you have a vacuum or drip-pot. Ask for an all-purpose grind for a percolator or for "boiled" coffee.
3. Keep coffee in a clean, tightly covered canister, because the oxygen of the air will take away flavor from coffee. With flavor taken away, more coffee grounds are needed to make the proper brew—and that's wasting coffee.
4. Measure both coffee and water carefully in making the beverage. Don't guess.
5. Use fresh cold water, as it will bring out a fresh coffee taste. Bring the water to a galloping boil, as that releases the marvellous coffee flavor. These results can't be achieved with stale water.
6. Make only as much coffee at a time as you wish to serve.
7. If any coffee should be left over, use it as a flavoring in making desserts or puddings.
8. Keep the coffee-maker and all drip bags scrupulously clean.



NEW CUTLERY . . . NO POLISH

For a bride-to-be or anyone who is interested in good-looking inexpensive cutlery, here is a stunning set in Crystalite. This is a light-weight transparent material that is unbreakable and non-inflammable. The Crystalite handles are niched along the edges and polished to give a pretty effect. The metal part is of stainless steel. With a set like this (it comes in sets of twelve and others) the owner will not have the chore of polishing silver. (For information on where this cutlery may be bought, price, etc., write Lines to the Ladies, Pepperell Mfg. Co., 160 State Street, Boston, Mass.)

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VERY INDEPENDENT

(Photo by Mary B. Hopkins)

The two-year-old should be able to manage his drinking cup or glass with one hand. By the time he gets to that age, after mother's or big sister's patient guidance, he can do this all by himself (and is he proud!) Pieces of bread and butter are broken and buttered for him; but then, as soon as he is old enough to handle a knife, mother shows him how to spread butter. From the beginning, however, she does not allow him to lay the bread on the table, but insists that he always put it on the plate. Good manners right from the start!

COOKING HABITS HAVE CHANGED WITH THE YEARS

Modern knowledge has changed some of the oldtime cooking habits. For example:

Breakfast cereal used to be cooked the night before and reheated the next morning. Now it is better to get up a little earlier in the morning and do the entire job of cooking at one time. (Reason: cooking and then reheating causes a vitamin loss).

Vegetables and fruits used to be prepared hours ahead of time and left, unpeeled, to stand or soak. Now it is found better to prepare them just before eating them. (Reason: removing the skin from a fruit or vegetable and exposing it to air causes vitamin loss).

Once it was considered good cooking to start potatoes in cold water in order to preserve their whiteness. Now not only potatoes but all other vegetables should be started in boiling water. (Reason: to save vitamin content).

Pork used to be considered hard to digest. Now that delicious meat (though high in price and difficult to get) is considered two or three times more nutritious than other meats. It must be cooked properly, of course.

Baking soda used to be added to green vegetables to make them a bright shade of green. Now it has been learned that soda, added to vegetables while cooking, destroys some of the vitamin B_1 and C content.

LUNCH BOXES GO BACK TO SCHOOL

September is back-to-school month for children. Here are some helpful hints about putting up lunches for them.

In each box—

1.—have something filling: a hearty meat sandwich, or cheese, or peanut butter or devilled eggs,

2.—have something crisp and crunchy: a raw vegetable such as celery or carrot strips, a pickle or an apple, or lettuce in one of the sandwiches. Perhaps salted peanuts,

3.—have something refreshing to drink—milk, tomato juice, grapefruit juice, lemonade,

4.—have something sweet: cookies, raisins, cake, a fruit turnover.

Don't put heavy pastries or pies in a lunch box.

Butter slices of bread clear to the edge (then the crusts will be eaten).

Be sure to use either dark bread or the "enriched" white.

KITCHEN TRICKS

To whiten the bone handles of cutlery that have yellowed with use, make a paste of sawdust and vinegar and bury the handles in this for a few hours. Then wash and polish with a piece of chamois.

Butter can be cut neatly and easily for serving by tearing off a piece of the parchment paper wrapping and inserting the cutting edge of the knife in a fold of this paper before slicing block of butter. Butter will not stick to the knife and will have a clean edge.

When cream is hard to whip, squeeze in a few drops of lemon juice.



COLORFUL VEGETABLE PLATES

How's this for an attractive and healthful meal of fresh vegetables: a new potato, boiled in its jacket, snap beans, steamed summer squash, garnished with parsley, a buttered beet, and radishes? In this combination you'll find color, flavor and a variety in texture.

Other good combinations are: a sweet potato, baby lima beans, creamed sliced tomatoes, spinach, celery hearts; or a stuffed baked potato, buttered wax beans, broccoli, summer squash and raw carrot strips. Onions are plentiful. Be sure to include some of them.



RIPE PLUM JELLY

Put up ripe plum jelly this month. It doesn't take much sugar and will serve as a sweet for your family all winter.

4 pounds ripe sour plums
5½ cups sugar
2 cups light corn sirup
½ bottle liquid fruit pectin

Wash fruit, crush, and add 1 cup water; bring to boiling point, cover and simmer 10 minutes. Place in jelly bag and drain. Measure 4 cups of juice and place in large saucepan. Add sugar and corn sirup; bring to a boil and add liquid fruit pectin. Bring to a full rolling boil and cook ½ minute. Remove mixture from heat, skim and pour quickly into sterile glasses. Cover tops with hot paraffin. Yield: 10 or 11 medium-sized glasses.

TAKE GOOD CARE OF ELECTRICAL GADGETS

Avoid getting electrical appliances wet. See that your electric toaster, coffee pot and iron are kept dry. Moisture may cause a short circuit.

Use a damp rag to remove crumbs, oil, grease or fingerprints.

The electric coffee pot can be cleaned once in a while by putting a tablespoon of soda in the section that normally holds coffee grounds. After the soda has percolated through, the coffee pot will be washed clean.

Be sure to use the manufacturer's directions for applying oil.

Don't put too many appliances on one plug or outlet. If you do, you may overload the circuit and blow a fuse.

Take good care of your electrical things, as new ones are hard to get. The metal that used to go into these appliances is now being used for war machines.

POINTS ON PAINT

Paint is getting scarce. Preserve what you have on your woodwork and window sills and other articles by applying a coat of any one of the many cans of liquid wax that are on the market. Choose the kind that needs no rubbing.

1. It will make the woodwork easier to dust by leaving a smooth finish.

2. It will protect the paint underneath.

BEFORE applying liquid wax, be sure to scrub the woodwork or window sills clean.

You'll find that the next time you have to wash off the woodwork, you'll just be washing off the wax and dirt—instead of removing the paint! This is really worth trying.

QUESTION AND ANSWER BOX

Q. Can you tell me a good way to use up stale bread?
A. Slice stale bread lengthwise in strips. Butter lightly; then toast. Serve with salads or soups.
Q. Should I wax new linoleum?
A. Yes. Waxing of plain or inlaid linoleum, soon after it is laid and at monthly intervals, or as needed, is recommended. It preserves the surface and finish. Have linoleum clean and dry before waxing. After waxing, dry-dust it every day or occasionally wipe it with a damp cloth.
Q. When is the best time to can tomatoes?
A. September—in most localities.
Q. Will there be shortages of cosmetics?
A. We are assured that the supply of lipsticks, cleansing creams, powders and other beauty aids will be adequate. But don't throw away any cosmetic containers that are made of metal or plastic. Save all of these (glass bottles, too) so that you can get refills.

HAVE YOU A QUESTION ABOUT FOOD? CLOTHES? HOUSEKEEPING? If so, write Lines to the Ladies, The Pepperell Mfg. Co., 160 State St., Boston, Mass.



TRY THIS RECIPE FOR MUSTARD PICKLE

1 pint small pickling cucumbers
1 pint chopped large cucumbers
1 pint chopped green tomatoes
1 pint button onions
1 medium-sized cauliflower
2 green peppers, chopped
½ ounce mustard seed
½ ounce celery seed
1 cup salt
2 quarts boiling water

Wash and prepare cucumbers, tomatoes and onions; separate cauliflower into flowerets; remove seeds from peppers and chop. Place vegetables in a large kettle; add mustard, celery seed and salt. Pour boiling water over all and allow to stand over night. In the morning, bring to boiling point and cook until vegetables are tender. Drain. Prepare Mustard Sauce, reheat vegetables in it and place in hot sterile jars. Seal. Makes about 6 pints.

Mustard Sauce

½ cup flour
3 tablespoons dry mustard
½ tablespoon turmeric powder
½ cup brown sugar
½ cup cold water
3 cups vinegar

Mix flour, mustard, turmeric, brown sugar and water to make a smooth paste. Add to vinegar. Cook over hot water until mixture thickens.

MAKE THIS DRESS TO WEAR BACK TO SCHOOL



Long torso lines are fashionable for this year's school girl. This model, easy to make, adheres to the new wartime restrictions for clothes. It is versatile too, for it can be made to look as it is in the picture, or like a jumper dress. The same pattern can be used. The dress is made of practical gray spun rayon, brightened with a perky white collar stitched in red and finished off with a pert red bow tie. (If you would like this pattern, send 15 cents along with your name, address and size, to Lines to the Ladies, The Pepperell Mfg. Co., 160 State St., Boston, Mass.)

CHASING STAINS

Some points on how to get spots out of sheets and pillow cases. Commercial stain removers are hard to buy these days, so try these good old-fashioned methods.

For egg stain—soak in cold water. Suds thoroughly, using brush if necessary.

Lipstick—try hot-sudsy water; or rub lard in stain till soft, then scrape off grease and wash in hot suds.

Ink—put in sweet milk and let it turn sour.

Blood—soak stain in cold water, then wash in hot water.

Coffee or chocolate—rinse out in hot sudsy water. Or, pour boiling water over stain from height of 2 or 3 feet.

Fruits—pour boiling water through stains. Or, soak in buttermilk. Or, put in sweet milk and let it turn sour. Or, moisten with lemon juice and put in sun.

Scorch—deep scorch is hopeless. Better cut out scorched part and patch at once. Light scorch may bleach if dampened and put in sunlight.

Milk and ice cream—hot suds.

Mildew—no cure for deep mildew. For slight mildew, sprinkle stain with salt, moisten with lemon juice, put in sun.

Tea—Keep stain moist with lemon juice, expose to sun for day or two.

GO RIGHT AFTER THE STAIN AS SOON AS IT OCCURS.

GET A HIGH HAT

Hats are small and snug-fitting this Fall—no wide brims that use up yards of precious material—but they are high. They shoot up into the air with feathers and swirls and give you that wonderful lift that only a new hat can bring.

Instead of wide, full skirts, broad-shouldered suits and dresses, and wide hats, you're going to wear slim-fitting clothes and tall hats from now on.

ON PINS AND NEEDLES

Metal is needed for war supplies and can't be used to make all the pins, needles and hair pins everyone has been used to. So save your pins and needles; make them last.

The armed forces and essential civilian industries, such as laundries, cleansers and garment makers get first call on the available supply of pins. So there aren't as many for household use.

Don't sweep stray pins into the dust pan. Have pin cushions or receptacles conveniently placed, so that members of the family can put the pins that they pick up into them.

Buy needles only as you need them and buy only a few at a time.

Do as Grandmother used to do. Get longer service out of your needles by sharpening them with an emery bag.

Don't thrust needles into spools of thread. They may bend or break.

Save all pins that come fastened in clothes from the cleaner or in fresh shirts from the laundry.

USE YOUR HEAD . . . SAVE YOUR FEET!



Feet are all-important these days and good care should be taken of them. They're doing more walking now; working longer hours, so be careful of them.

Wear low-heeled, comfortable shoes. They're practical and good-looking these days and your feet will appreciate them.

Use a good strong pair of shoes for work rather than a run-down old pair (check run-down lifts and thin soles). No pointed toes.

Be sure your shoes fit you properly. Tired, ill-fitted feet can cause back-aches, headaches, and make you slow down on your job.

Wear clean hosiery every day. Mesh and lisle cotton hose are up-to-the-minute. They're practical and inexpensive.

Visit your clinic or see your doctor, if you have a great deal of trouble with your feet.

SUGARLESS FUDGE

One way to be patriotic when your sweet tooth calls for candy is to make fudge without sugar, using two semi-sweet chocolate bars. Melt these bars over water, add the contents of a 15-ounce tin of sweetened condensed milk (1 1/3 cups) and stir until well blended. Remove from the heat and add a teaspoon of vanilla and a cup of chopped nuts. Pour into a pan lined with waxed paper. Chill several hours, or until firm, then cut into squares. Even after ten days this fudge remains moist. Why not send a boxful to a serviceman?

WHO'S WHO IN BIDDEFORD

PRESCOTT L. HOWARD, *Editor-in-Chief*

SLASHING DEPT. — Biddeford

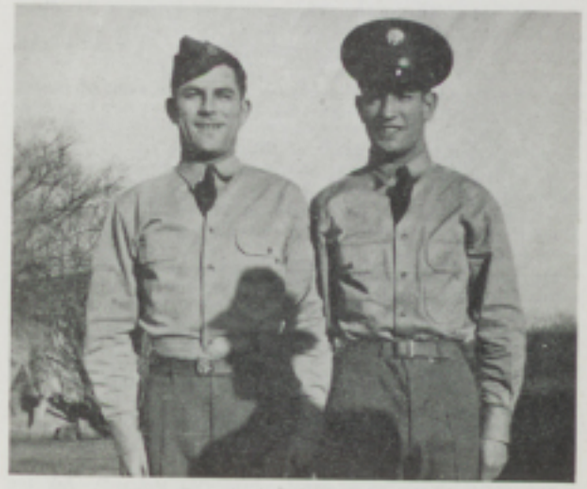
REPORTER: *Rita Ryan.*

¶ Ever since R. Souliere has been transferred to the 3rd shift he has had a nice looking girl come in and visit him. You'd better watch out Roland, some of the boys have their eyes on her.
¶ J. Collins spent a week-end in Boston to see a ball game. He claims the Red Sox are going places but he doesn't say where. We're all for them anyway and we still think they are tops.
¶ Congratulations from the boys William S. for that increase in your family. We are still waiting for the cigars.
¶ Bob Poire passed his week's vacation at Ossippee Lake. We wonder what kind of gasoline he put in his motor, the motor went so fast it jumped off the back of the boat and landed in the lake and he had to dive in after it. He put it back on the boat and it started again. Some gasoline, eh Bob?
¶ Mr. and Mrs. Victor Guertin attended the horse races at Salem, Mass. recently.
¶ D. Lessard, knot tyer operator on the second shift has been transferred to the 1st shift.
¶ You can buy Defense Stamps anytime between 7:00 A.M. and 5:00 P.M. at Mr. Johnson's office.
¶ Our harness girl R. Guertin and Slasher tender W. Peloquin have been absent for a time on account of illness.
¶ A. Rheault and E. Rheault moved their family to Camp Ellis for 2 weeks. How does it feel to be alone, boys?
¶ A. Frechette, our size man on the 3rd shift underwent a major operation in July. Hurry up and get well, we miss you.
¶ We understand our second hand on the 3rd shift W. Ouellette is also a fisherman, beside being a barber for a hobby.
¶ WANTED: Young man between 18 and 20 to read pick clocks for Miss Ryan.
¶ We have three young men in our department in the service: E. Kearney, T. Pombriant and our 3rd shift second hand, Max D. Libby, Jr. So come on gang, let's write to them. Anyone who would like to write to these boys see Mr. Watson.
¶ Ernest Watson has discovered the reason why clam digging is prevented at Camp Ellis. Stan Murdock takes his daily dip.
¶ Ed. Mitchell is the proud father of a bouncing baby boy, his third.
¶ Emmet Kearney, knot tyer operator on the 1st shift, left August 5th for Fort Devens. Best of Luck, Emmet.

SHEETING CARD ROOM — Biddeford

REPORTERS: *Sarah Whitworth, Herbert Sears, Paul Lebland, Oscar Blanchette, Raymond Gendron, Maurice Thompson, Joseph Cook, Emelin Morin.*

¶ Mrs. Georgiana Bedard has been out sick. We are pleased to see you back Georgie.
¶ Miss Laura Anger and Elaine Roy have motored to York, Maine to see the "Antique House" and were very enthused about it all.
¶ Elaine Roy enjoyed a few weeks' vacation in Canada visiting her parents.
¶ Mr. Arthur Letendre is quite fussy with the tomatoes he eats. He will be glad when the native crop comes. Cheer up, Arthur, it won't be long now.
¶ Our "Second Hand" Frank Purdy is enjoying a week's vacation in Fall River, Mass. How's everything at the Flint Village, Frank?
¶ Phillip Martel felt kind of low. We really thought he was ill. We were amused at the reply of our inquiry: "Part of the Ringling Bros. and Barnum & Bailey had burned." Don't worry "Maggie" they'll be around again next year, with a new herd of monkeys, elephants, etc.
¶ Mrs. Yvonne Gagnon and Yvonne Ledoux are the new "hopper feeders" on the 3rd shift. We hope you like your new job, girls.
¶ Rose Couture is certainly a good cook for she brought in some home made bread the other day and boy it's really good.
¶ We were glad to see Armina back with us after a week's vacation in Van Buren, Me. She works on the comber unit in 2-1B.



Corp. John and Pvt. Ted Lebland are sons of Mr. and Mrs. Emile Lebland of Biddeford. John is at Camp Edwards and Ted is overseas. Their father is employed in the Time Study department and their mother in the Sheeting Carding Room.

¶ Frame fixer Paul F. of 2-2B is the new comber fixer on the 2nd shift in 2-1B. Paul seems to be doing fairly well for the present.
¶ M. Picard, slubber tender in 2-1B has been made card grinder in the same room. The job was vacated by R. Gendron.
¶ We are glad for Anna F. comber tender in 21-B because we are sure she won't wait long for Paul, who's the fixer.

Vacations

¶ Ernest Watson stayed at home and poured milk into his chickens with an eye dropper to be sure they were milk fed.
¶ John Adams cleaned up at the Old Orchard races, not financially.
¶ Ernest Martel was in N. H.
¶ Ernest Garceau looked over the city of Quebec.
¶ James Greenlaw visited in Calais, Maine.
¶ Edward Neault set the record of picking 8 qts. of blueberries in 17 hrs.
¶ A. Arcand caught his limit in striped bass.
¶ F. Goulet and A. Arel were in Boston to the ball games.
¶ James Johnson suffered a sore back from catching yellow perch at Kennebunk Pond.
¶ Bob Poire can now tell the deepest part of Ossippee Lake.
¶ Bill Sweetsir was at York Beach.
¶ James Smith visited the old home town, Ware, Mass.
¶ Ed. McDuffey claims he had a real rest as it rained 5 days out of 7.
¶ C. Garon visited in Hartford and N. Y.
¶ Bob Gregoire tried out his new boat on the Saco River.
¶ John Black visited in the White Mts.
¶ John Clark is camping on the banks of the Saco River.
¶ Prescott Verrill is at Biddeford Pool.
¶ Frank Purdy put on a colossal hand performance at Warren, R. I.
¶ Ludger Picher spent the week in Canada.
¶ Al. Perreault had an inside job of painting.
¶ L. Drouin was at Kinney Shores.
¶ B. F. Brady is anticipating.
¶ Bill Simpson won't tell where he went.
¶ A. Gagne visited in Sherbrooke.
¶ G. Gendron was in Manchester.
¶ G. Lemieux says Hills Beach is as far from home as he wished to travel.
¶ E. Paquin was at Peaks Island.
¶ A. Verrier was at Kennebunk Pond.
¶ Pete Rivers went to Chicago.

SHEETING CLOTH ROOM — Biddeford

REPORTERS: *Antoinette Hannah, Mary Goldthwaite, and Katherine Gallaros.*

¶ Napoleon Ruel and family visited with relatives in Canada over

the week end of August 1st. They visited the Shrine of Ste. Anne and also spent some time in Quebec.

¶ Mr. and Mrs. Charles Patrick spent a week end recently with friends at Old Orchard Beach.

¶ Blanche Desnoyers was absent from work on account of illness.
¶ Phyllis Cote is back at work after some time out due to illness.
¶ We extend our sincere sympathy to Mr. John Nadeau and Mr. Armand Nadeau on the death of their father.

¶ Alex Boeduas says he likes his tobacco straight—no condiments added.

¶ It's possible to skip a few buttons at 12:00 P.M. but next time Adolph, check up before you go on duty, you won't have to move so fast.

¶ Mr. and Mrs. Armand Lantagne and son Donald visited with relatives in Lawrence, Mass. over the week end of July 29th.
¶ Helen O'Meara and Blanche Angers spent three days in Suncook, N. H. in connection with some work for the Pepperell.
¶ Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Grenier and son motored to Canada on the week of Aug. 1st.

¶ We hear the girls on the 3rd shift are giving shin-digs every Thursday night at each other's homes. I wonder how dancing the polka is coming along? Eileen should know.

¶ Next time you pick blueberries Adolph, keep an eye on the bees and stop chasing pigeons.

¶ Has anything new been added to the Old Howard? Ask Joe Proulx, he knows.

¶ They should have more girls on stitching, you should see the results we get on the 3rd shift, huh Rita?

¶ Girls get ready for a house warming party, Kathleen might buy a new house.

¶ Since Martha's hubby is working at the Shipyard you don't see her to work as often.

¶ How's the floor at the Palace for Jitterbugging, Marcel? You sure have rhythm, kid.

¶ Next time you go to the Pier Adrienne, don't forget to bring your ear muffs. We hear you had ear aches the next day.

SHEETING WEAVE ROOM — Biddeford

REPORTERS: *Terry Lizotte, Cutie Martel.*

¶ They ought to have Ralph for a lifeguard in 8-1. Every time that Irene had a fainting spell he was right on hand to catch her. If Mr. Johnson would put him on as the fainting lifeguard there wouldn't be any more work because all the girls would no doubt, decide to faint.
¶ Girls—We have the greatest opportunity that ever was presented. Why, look at all the letters we could be receiving from a boy somewhere around the world. Don't be stingy and keep all the stamps for your sweetheart, write to some other one. You don't exactly have to call him a sweetheart but you could call him a friend. So come on, girls, don't get writer's cramps, get a move on and write to those boys.
¶ We have more girl cleaners. We hope you like it here.
¶ For the people in 8-1, both day and night shifts, and also to the bosses:

Goodbye, From Me To You

¶ I liked working for you and with you. I have made friends very easily and I'm sorry I have to leave you. I wish luck is with me so that my Doctor may tell me that I may come back to work soon. I had a lot of fun teaching and being among the girl cleaners and I hope they enjoyed my company too. So I'll just say So Long, until I see you again. (An Employee)
¶ To Bill Simpson, Day Boss: When I first saw you, I didn't think I'd like you, but I must say you were swell, Bill. I wish I could have stayed to work for you days. I'm sorry if at times I aggravated you so, but don't you worry I won't do it again.
¶ To Bob Gregoire, 2nd Shift: Although you were a bit ugly at times I didn't mind at all. I thought you were swell to work for and didn't take heed to anyone's idle talk about you. I can well remember, how at times I could have crowned you because you were so bossy, but when I look back—no hard feelings.
¶ To POP—Boss Cleaner: I think that you were mighty glad when Johnson handed you girls to teach Cleaning. I hope we haven't been too much trouble for we like you and like to work for you. I, particularly, want to thank you for all you've done and I want you to know I appreciate it. Thanks for the advice you and Bill gave me, and if I do slip I'll come back for a good old fashioned spanking. I think you're tops, Pop, and I hope the other cleaners will stick with you.



Evidently Blanche Angers of the Sheeting Cloth Room at Biddeford believes in getting her fuel in early for winter use. Must have been rather heavy by the time she reached City Square.

BLANKET NAPPING ROOM — Biddeford

REPORTER: *Albert Dorais.*

¶ Mr. Thomas Jones has been out on a week's vacation recently, visiting relatives and friends.
¶ Mr. Eugene Cantara is back with us after a few months' leave of absence due to illness.
¶ Mrs. Alice Nadeau and Mrs. Genevieve Nadeau were out a few days because of their recent bereavement. We offer our deepest sympathy.
¶ Mr. Archille Boucher was treated at the hospital recently.

BLANKET CLOTH ROOM — Biddeford

REPORTERS: *Rose Bouthot, Catherin Lamb, Magella Cantara.*

¶ Lucille Paul recently enjoyed a two weeks' vacation. Lucille has quite a tan.
¶ Lucille Lamoureau and Mabel Frappier also enjoyed a ten day vacation.
¶ Marguerite O'Grady came in with a very nice tan after being out for a week.
¶ Muriel Greenwood, who was operated on recently for tonsils, is back to work. We hope you feel better, Muriel.
¶ We were very sorry to hear that "Mike" Quinn is confined to the hospital. We wish him a speedy recovery and hope that he will be back soon.
¶ We are glad to have Theresa Horsefield and Gemma Roy back with us again.
¶ We want to welcome Walter Brown as a member of the Blanket Cloth Room. Walter used to be a second hand in the cloth room No. 19 mill a few years ago. We hope you like it here, Walter.
¶ Pvt. Herbert Sears, U.S.M.C., South Carolina was a visitor at the home of his mother in Saco recently.
¶ Benny Kopetski, U.S.N., is on a 14-day furlough from Florida visiting his folks on Prospect Street. Benny is Mary's brother.
¶ Rita Nolette was out for a few days recently, and a good reason she had! Her boy friend, Pvt. Horace Beaulieu, from Fort Jackson, N. C., was on a furlough.
¶ Vera Munford has been out sick recently. Hope you are feeling better now Vera.
¶ Lawrence La Garde came in to work one day displaying a beautiful diamond ring. Congratulations, Lawrie!
¶ Marguerite Martel stayed out one day with a toothache. It's no fun, is it, Marguerite?
¶ Stella West is the lucky one it seems. She spent three weeks in Florida and says she enjoyed every minute of it.
¶ Jeannette Paul says that even though she walks on her feet, she won't let anybody step on them. That's the spirit, Jeannette. We can't blame you at all.

WHO'S WHO IN FALL RIVER

ERNEST MORRIS, *Fall River Editor*

S-C-O-O-P

The Fall River Plant had its first daylight air-raid test, August 12th. The alarms sounded at 11:00 A.M. and the Pepperell Air-Raid crew went into immediate action.

The alarms for employees sounded on each floor by means of the Elevator horns and Green lights. Plane spotters went to their stations atop the Mill roof—Wardens directed workers to points of safety, where they remained until the all clear signal was sounded. There was a Medical Attendant in each mill just in case of injury. Credit must be given to all employees for the fine way in which they filed into line and marched to the points of safety.

Chief Warden, Gardner Whalon, was very well pleased with the test, but claims that there are a few things that have to be corrected before the next one.

Notes from the Roaming Reporter:

¶ Who can clear the mystery of the First Aid worker in B. Mill, the one that uses Boric Acid on the cat's eyes and then after careful administration found that the wrong cat had been receiving the attention.

¶ Who is the painter that lost his bet of 50 cents and had to go without sugar for one week? But then the painter is noted for his sweet disposition to start with.

¶ How many know that Fat Durand (I beg pardon) Pvt. F. C. Leo Durand, Co. D. Mass. State Guard, is a topnotch bugler. He has recently been called on to sound Taps at the funerals of the late Capt. Lamond, Leo's superior officer on Co. D and of 2nd Lt. F. Morin of Headquarters. Leo is a very neat and snappy chap in his uniform.

¶ McCarthy be careful, you know you should not put red paint on the tomatoes that are green—they turn red themselves. Sure, maybe they do blush . . . who can blame them.

¶ Is Kay or Ethel the JINKS of B. Cloth Room?? But then as long as they keep the JENKS in the cloth room it is O.K. or O Ethel.

RAYON MILL "A" — Fall River

REPORTER: *Josephine Pavao.*

¶ We wonder why John Claudio stares at the moon every night and says, "Another good moon gone to waste"?

¶ "Little Red Riding Hood" is what we named Anita Watts; whatever she wears has got to have that touch of red. Right or wrong, Anita?

¶ At last Beatrice Czerwonka has a license to drive a car. Here's your chance to ask the boys out, Bea.

¶ Some one of these days Robert Oldrid is going to push a window thru with his nose if he keeps watching the girls in the cloth room. You know what Daisy in the Herald News got for being nosey, don't you Bob?

¶ Mr. and Mrs. Manual Cabral spent a few days recently, touring thru New Hampshire. They both had a grand time.

¶ Let us in on some of your jokes Mary Viera. After all it isn't only Laura and Doris that like to sit around you to listen.

¶ Don't get caught talking to yourself again Joseph Ricardo, or you will have us believing you have money in the bank. And that isn't all. We know a fellow that got 60 days for talking to himself.



A group of Fall River employees looking over the master Bond Subscription Board to see how their department is registering. They are silently applauding "8" Cloth Room for its 100% showing.

¶ Doris Braz spent a very enjoyable time with her little family for two weeks. Their vacation was spent with one week at Lake Tioque and one week in New York.

¶ Ida King's vacation proved to be enjoyable because Brother Wilfred happened to be on furlough the same week. He is stationed at Virginia.

¶ Where was Florence Hathaway the night we had the blackout? She told us she was alone all the time the lights were out. "Believe it or not."

¶ We have noticed Juliette Layault has more time to spend with her boy friend now that she is working on the first shift. Don't get too serious, Julie.

¶ Lydia Cayer spent her vacation at the South Shore and she made sure the sun didn't get her the way it got Laura.

¶ Stanley Mielnicki spent two weeks at Niagara Falls. We all thought you were going to get married Stanley because Niagara Falls is very famous to honeymooners.

¶ John Genest was caught in a singing mood one night. One song he sang was as follows: "When the grown up ladies act like babies, I've jut got to love them that's all."

¶ Have you all noticed Jane Barry? She's all dolled up with a new permanent.

CARDING DEPARTMENT — Fall River

REPORTER: *Beatrice Almedia.*

¶ It was a thrilling sight to see Norman Rigby when he came home on furlough. He was all dressed up in one of Uncle Sam's Cavalry uniforms. Boots and all.

¶ Among those who were out on vacation recently were Margaret Joubert who spent hers out on Cape Cod and Ann Dupre who had a wonderful time touring the State of Maine. She was also a visitor to the Pepperell plant in Biddeford.

¶ Mary Fallon and daughter Catherine spent most of their time down by the sea shore.

¶ We are glad to see our second hand Mr. John Ryan back to work again. He was out due to illness.

¶ We wonder how the first daylight air raid drill will turn out. Everyone was warned to be on the alert. We are sure the carding department will co-operate.

¶ We hope that Marion won't have any more sleepless nights now that she has bought herself a new alarm clock.

¶ We wish Beatrice's brother a speedy recovery. He is convalescing in a Boston hospital after undergoing a major operation.

¶ Manny spent a week with his family at Island Park. He gained ten pounds in that week. Is eating your hobby, Manny?

SPINNING ROOM — Fall River

REPORTER: *Marion Dupuis.*

¶ Mr. and Mrs. Belanger should be proud of their daughter Glorette, who graduated from Jesus-Mary Academy with high honors. She was also one of the commencement speakers who spoke on "The American Flag."

¶ Did you see the beautiful potato nose that Mrs. Smith got? She claims it was from the sun while she was on her vacation, but we wonder! ! !

¶ We hope that Dorothy Whitehead and her Mother enjoyed their week's vacation in New York recently.



This is Private Edward Sheehan, a former Rayon Mill employee at Fall River, who is now stationed at the 325th Air Base in Sarasota, Florida. Write him a letter, folks.

¶ When this was written Rhea Garand and our reporter, Marion Dupuis were on vacation. Did you have fun girls?
¶ If ever you go down to Bliffin's Beach some sunny afternoon and you happen to meet Lillian Roussel, ask her to show you the famous Roussel stroke.
¶ Why was Blanche Gamache infuriated one afternoon at the beach recently? Reason—She had some leg make-up on when she went down to the beach, but one dip into the water soon removed all traces of it, and all she could think of was how could she go home through the center of the city without it on.

Who Got the Ride?

¶ Who was seen with six other girls thumbing a ride from Lincoln Park one recent Wednesday night; and who, by the way, got a ride from two fellows? Was it Yvonne D. and Alma P.?
¶ Have any of you ever seen the lunch that Ada Pelletier brings to work every day? Well if everyone followed her example no one would be lacking in Vitamins A, B, C and D. Also if anyone is ever hungry, maybe she could accommodate you with a little of it—those vegetables and what not.
¶ We wish the best of luck to Rita Pineault who left us to be married.
¶ It appears as though the spinning department was trying to win a race recently, selling Defense Bonds. A total of 35 were sold and Miss Sullivan, in the office, wondered if we were going to give a bonus to all those who bought them!
¶ Who practically bought out all the Babe Ruth's in the candy machine? Couldn't have been Mr. Eaton, could it?
¶ We offer our deepest sympathy to Mr. Bouchard, in the loss of his father.

WEAVE ROOM MILL "B" — Fall River

REPORTERS: *Lorraine Lord, Phyllis LePage.*

¶ Mary and Ernest Tessier celebrated their 25th wedding anniversary. We hope you celebrate many more.
¶ Alphonse and Bertha Larchevesque recently took a week's vacation.
¶ Rose and Sammie Gagnon went claming and received a beautiful sunburn as a reward for all their strenuous work.
¶ Little Freddie Gaspar left a short time ago and is now in the U. S. Army. Best of luck to you Freddie.
¶ Adrian Belanger formerly of Pepperell is attending flying school. His brother Roland is with the A.E.F. in England.
¶ Gabriel Costa's operation was certainly a success, she is full of vim, vigor and vitality since she came back.
¶ We offer Mary Soares our deepest sympathy for the death of her sister-in-law.
¶ Valida Roberts is thinking of going on a diet but there is only one trouble, the "soda-man" goes by too often.
¶ We have a new battery hand working with us, her name is Yvonne Basse. She is noted for her drum playing without music.
¶ "Buddy Rogers" of the stock room is thinking of picking up an orchestra so that "Charlie Macauley" will be able to sing baritone with them. Let us know where your first engagement will be.

CLOTH ROOM MILL "B" — Fall River

REPORTER: *Dot Mercer.*

¶ The new girl, who is taking Kay's place, has a pedigree that dates back to the Mayflower and a grandfather who fought in the Civil War and the Spanish-American War. We proudly present our socialite from "Harper's Bazaar"—Mrs. Edgar R. Eaton, the 4th.
¶ We also present Miss Veronica Louise Holland whose ancestral dignity dates back to the Holland Tunnel and the Holland Cleaning Establishment. She is the daughter of the same Daniel Joseph Holland of "Vanity Fair."
¶ Our vacationists recently included: Minnie, Laura, Ada and Joe: Minnie enjoyed a week at Hampton Beach. Ada and Joe at Nantasket Beach and Laura entertained guests from New York.
¶ By the time this Sheet goes to press, our recent bridegroom will be known as Buck Private Donat Francoeur. You're a lucky fellow Uncle Sam and you'd better get those stripes ready.
¶ Benny took one of our girls bowling one Friday night with the promise that he'd be top man in each string. All I can say is that he tried hard and went home happy with the thought that some day he might be in the sixty class. That's what you get for bragging Benny.
¶ Mr. Horne enjoyed his annual vacation at his summer home in Mattapoisett.
¶ Genevieve is in the groove now without a doubt. Her new job has plenty of swing in it. Any day now we expect to hear her give out with a "Hey Nonny Nonny and a Hot Cha Cha."
¶ Well Delia and Bill Sr. certainly are doing all right by themselves after their serious operations. We're all glad to see them both up and about again, and we will be better pleased to see them both back to work again.
¶ Elna has left to work at the Torpedo Station in Newport and all the Cloth Room gang wish her the best of luck always.
¶ I wonder why Sadie didn't go through with her plan to visit Ethel recently? Was it because her Mother was sick or was it because Catherine was going to drive her over and she thought some more of those nasty old hydrants might get in Kitten's way. Shame! Kitten, Shame!
¶ Cecil is going to bring his work down to the cloth room, as he can't bear the thought of leaving Miss Mercer-laed.

MACHINE SHOP — Fall River

REPORTER: *Roy Harmon.*

¶ Congratulations are hereby extended to the maintenance department for its splendid cooperation in the Bond Subscription Drive. However, we are still a long way from the top. We need *everyone* to subscribe, before it can honestly be called a success.
¶ Adrian Chagnon, one of our former stock clerks, is now working for Uncle Sam for $21 a month. Correction—$50.
¶ Alfred LePage has become a grandfather a second time. His son, Romeo, is the proud daddy of a little girl.
¶ Tom Reid's son has enlisted in the Navy. If he is as good a sailor as his father is a machinist, he'll do all right.
¶ In answer to the query, "Do you know of any news for the Pepperell Sheet?", Benjamin Cyr replied, "I don't know nothing—I only love flowers."
¶ Leo Durand and Harold Marston have sprained wrists from tossing up for nickels and cokes.
¶ Bill Harrington recently enjoyed a week's vacation at Island Park. At any rate, he was down there.
¶ James Marum went to visit a dentist the other day and fell asleep. When he awoke he felt as though he had lost something, and sure enough, all his top teeth were gone.
¶ A couple of weeks ago Louis Letourneau and Alfred LePage attended a clambake at Gardner's Pavilion in Swansea with their wives. A good time was had by all.
¶ Working nights has done Leo Durand no harm. He is still as well-rounded as ever.
¶ Joseph Carpenter and Louie Letourneau are still getting along good—but not together.
¶ Have you ever seen the award that was presented to Harold Marston for being a champion ear bender? He defeated Thibault and Stanley by a unanimous vote.

BUY WAR BONDS, TODAY

WHO'S WHO IN LEWISTON

HARRY J. VAUGHN, *Lewiston Editor*

SHEET FACTORY — Lewiston

REPORTERS: *Blanche Sawyer, Lillian Soule, Margaret Woodhead, and Mary Shaban.*

¶ Donald Robertson has asked us to thank everyone for remembering him so kindly when he left. He said he could not begin to tell them how much he appreciated their goodness to him at that time. Donald left recently to work for Uncle Sam and we all wish him the best of luck.
¶ Mary Call is going to join the ranks of married women. Good luck Mary.
¶ Chris Lafontain says she hopes it is not contagious as she always "catches" everything.
¶ Emma Patry is still on the job. The little colored girl you see around is only Emma in disguise.
¶ Medora Toutain says if Emma is standing in the shadows she cannot see her. She blends so nicely with the shade.
¶ Mildred is leaving us for Cape Elizabeth. She's hoping it's not too far from Black Point. She is very anxious to see that beautiful spot Anita raves about.
¶ Merita is certainly getting a chance to prove the old adage—"Silence is Golden".
¶ Here's hoping Mary provides us with shock absorbers the next time she springs a surprise. That last one nearly floored us.
¶ Marion, please don't stay out again. The trips with the stains hold no thrills when your away.
¶ One inspector certainly had a hard time deciding whether the extra 15c was worth keeping or donating.
¶ Irene Hammond is quite disappointed over the cancellation of her trip to the deep south. Cheer up "Hammie" you know you could never stand that heat.
¶ Elizabeth Lalonde has returned from her blueberrying sojourn at Harpswell.
¶ The inspectors say, "thanks" to the bundlers for the way they came across recently. They'll never forget it.
¶ We have a woman hater in our midst. Ask Joe Hennessy.
¶ Delphine spent a few days of her vacation in New Hampshire.
¶ Alice Fournier had a grand time seeing the sights of New York the week she was out.
¶ Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Cunliffe on the birth of their new son, Daniel. Tom feels pretty proud these days.
¶ We're sorry about your little boy, Lina.
¶ We're glad to have Ray Cote and Lydia Dostie back with us.
¶ Lucy Begert spent her vacation in Holyoke, Mass. Have a good time, Lucy?
¶ We'd like to know what the big attraction is down to Old Orchard this year. Everyone seems to be going there.
¶ We all liked the idea of having our pay checks passed around to us, and hope it continues that way.
¶ Wonder what Christine Lafontaine will do, after Mary Call gets married? You'll have to find a new chum, Chris.
¶ We all want to say "thanks" to the persons who made it possible for our bonuses.
¶ We think it a splendid idea about sheets and pillow cases, plus a blanket, for the newlyweds as a gift.
¶ Henry Ayotte sure has a tough time trying to please the girls about opening and shutting the windows.
¶ We hated to see Donald go but Uncle Sam needs him. Hope you come back a "Major", Donald. Best of luck.
¶ Hope everyone had a good time on their vacations.
¶ By the time this is in print Dot Casey and John Conley will be Mr. and Mrs. Good luck to both of you.
¶ Emma Patry, Bunny Casey, and Mary Pettibone are sure sporting some dandy tans.
¶ Margaret Bailey finally did get to Boston on her vacation.
¶ Rita Fortin likes to see the carnival come to town. It's parked almost under her bedroom window, and can she sleep fine. Ask her.
¶ Theresa Genest rode down Canal Street for two weeks on the morning bus, before she noticed what street it was.
¶ The night shift was well represented at Old Orchard the week of the vacation.
¶ Rose Morin had quite an admirer at Old Orchard. Ask Anita.
¶ Some girls think Val Druin is bashful. How about that, Val?
¶ We all wish Mrs. Wailus the best of luck and happiness.
¶ Marie Baker is missed by all the night crew.
¶ Yvette McKenna is looking for a larger pocketbook.

SHOE GOODS DEPT. — Lewiston

REPORTER: *Laureat Lachance.*

¶ How is Ernest Gousse going to get to his garden with an A Book from the gas rationing board? Too bad, Ernest, we know how fond you are of squash.
¶ Mrs. Clarke did not get much from Connie's garden, but the woodchucks and chipmunks thought his stringbeans and radishes were great.
¶ Flavie Dagneau says her new boy friend is bashful but she will get along all right.
¶ Ruth and Alda went to Pittsfield for their vacation, and at somebody's suggestion, took their overshoes with them.
¶ A tip from Henry Szoll. Keep away from the Wash Room unless you have an umbrella.
¶ Lila is back from her vacation and by the smile on her face you can see that she had a wonderful time. Good for you, Lila.
¶ Bill Collins has returned after spending a few days as the guest of Uncle Sam.
¶ By looking around Bill Rioux's and Larry Anctil's machines one would think that Armand Soucy was out on vacation.
¶ Welcome to our department, William Meader and Orville Libbey.
¶ Johnny Lavoie says you can't go far on four gallons of gas and if you run out of gas what will the girls think?
¶ You have all heard tell of the big one that got away. Well, Alec Bain tells about a fish that he hooked that was so big that he was lucky to get away from the fish.
¶ Leo Mynahan will be our next entry in a Bleachery Show. If you don't think he has talent, you should see him clown for the girls.

DYE HOUSE — Lewiston

REPORTER: *Roland Dumais.*

¶ We understand that Mike Cunningham, who recently retired from the Pepperell family, is gaining an awful lot of weight lately. All of the boys join us in saying good health and lots of luck, Mike.
¶ Roy C. Roy is the latest addition to the Dye House. Roy is now working on the Padder.
¶ Fred Leighton is saving Raleigh coupons to get himself a toaster. We suggest that he get an alarm clock instead.
¶ Mr. Oliver and George Hennessey were at it again. They had an argument about a draftees collection. George finally decided that he had stuck his foot in it and resolved not to become involved in any other similar situations.
¶ We welcome to the Dye House a young man whose name is familiar to the old timers. He is Steve Crowley. Steve is now attending Georgetown, and working during vacation.
¶ Palmer Sadler spent his vacation in New York. We hear Mr. Sadler had a very enjoyable trip.
¶ Sugar is sweet and so was the bonus last month. Everyone was happy. Bonus day is a great day, isn't it folks? Yes, it's an event that surpasses the Fourth of July to some of us, but now only memories linger on to the most of us.
¶ BUY BONDS AND STAMPS.

WHITE FOLDING ROOM — Lewiston

REPORTER: *Mary Beattie.*

¶ Your not kidding us anymore Dave. You were seen enjoying dinner at Joy Inn with H. T. Right?
¶ For further information on dancing ask Blanche C. She was quite an expert on toe dancing in her younger days.
¶ We often wonder why Roger likes to work overtime. Which girl is it, Roger?
¶ Anyone interested in buying a duck just call Quack 1000 and ask for Geneva's duck hatchery.
¶ We often wonder where Roland Lacombe puts all the whoopee pies he eats?
¶ Loads of luck to you Martha and Jean on furthering your education. We certainly will miss you.
¶ Come on girls and fellows. Write a line to the boys in the service. Help to keep up morale.
¶ Who is this tall, dark and handsome fellow we see Charlotte stepping out with these nights? Could it be that this keeps her quite late mornings?
¶ Albert Vachon is all alone in the wash room now. Could it be he misses us girls? Government first, Al.



Charles F. Plant, Inspector for the Q. M. Corps of the War Department has been recently assigned to the Lewiston Bleachery. He is inspecting the Pepperell herringbone twill that is made into work uniforms for members of our armed forces.

¶ If anyone finds anything hanging around give it to Blanche C. You won't be wrong, we assure you.
¶ For lessons on how to blush, consult Lorraine B.
¶ What do you call it Lucien? It begins with r——. Let us in on it.
¶ Did you forget your diet, girls?
¶ You have told us so much of the shore dinners you've enjoyed on your vacation J. S. Well, why not set us up to one or two?
¶ Who's the new boy friend Cecile?
¶ Are you on a diet, Marie, or are you in love? Could be!!

OFFICE — Lewiston

Reporter: *Dorothy Wellander.*

¶ The girls from the office enjoyed a Thursday night dinner at Mrs. Lawtons quite recently. Dot Mynahan, as chairman, and mistress of ceremonies, kept every one contented by presenting each girl with a gift—plus very funny remarks during the meal. A grand time was had by all and it was voted to have more of them—but soon!
¶ Little Rose Delahanty will probably have become Mrs. Andrew Wilson, Jr. by the time this is printed. She will be married in Mississippi where he is stationed. Our heartiest congratulations and best wishes.
¶ Did you know that Uno Harta can't find a thing in the files down stairs unless he takes Dot Mynahan along to help?
¶ Ida Bussiere's pencil has to be sharpened every day at quarter of three. Could it be because the sharpener is near a window?
¶ Welcome Theresa Cloutier. Glad to have you with us.
¶ If you are worrying about the gasoline rationing, Kit Bosse can tip you off on how to make the gas last longer.
¶ Rose Delahanty was the guest of honor at a supper party held at the Exchange Hotel recently. She was presented with gifts and a lovely corsage from the girls in the office in honor of her approaching marriage.

CAN ROOM — Lewiston

Reporter: *Robert Tiner.*

¶ The Can Room has now lost another of its members to the service. We refer to Richard McMahon who recently joined the Marines.
¶ Word was received from Pvt. Rosario Dubois, another former member of the Can Room, who is now located at Fort Jackson, South Carolina. "Zio," as he is better known to us, would undoubtedly like to hear from any of us. So for those who would like to write to him, his address is Co. "D" 95th Q.M. Bn., Fort Jackson, S. C. In case "Zio" should receive this copy of the Pepperell *Sheet* we would like to take this opportunity to say "Hello" from the Can Room.
¶ While we are on the subject of former members of this room who are in the service we should not forget "Sid" Caron, who recently paid us a visit, while on his furlough home.
¶ There are approximately four more months until Christmas, at which time we will see "Speed" Morin wearing a different necktie than the one which he has been wearing since last Christmas. Although that may not mean anything to some of you, it will make this reporter very happy.
¶ Omer Legare once remarked how lucky "Shorty" Dubois is. When asked why Omer said, because Shorty is the only one in the Can Room who can tie his shoelaces without bending down.

COLORED FOLDING ROOM — Lewiston

Reporter: *John McKenna.*

¶ Helen Taylor spent her vacation on Bear Mountain. Any luck Helen?
¶ Margaret Kelley has recently returned from Rhode Island where she spent her vacation. Nice time, Margaret?
¶ Grace Cote fears a long cold winter when she will have to walk to work. Someone ought to tell her the buses only charge five cents.
¶ Roland Asselin attends the Priscilla weekly. What is the attraction, Roland?
¶ Joseph Pelchat finds the gas ration has effected his traveling to his summer home at Westport.
¶ Pete Michaud says the smell of the river does not affect his garden.

SPECIAL CLOTHS DEPARTMENT — Lewiston

Reporter: *Harold Dutton.*

¶ Henry Perrier is now Private Perrier, at Camp Gruber, Oklahoma. We all wish Henry luck and if anyone wishes to write just add the following to his address: 31117542-C.B.R.Y. 913 F.A.B.N. A.P.O.88.
¶ Here is a chance to help the boys in service. If you have any old playing cards give them to Don Olquin who will see that they are distributed to the boys thru the American Legion—or thirteen cents will pay for a new pack and furnish hours of entertainment for our friends in the army.
¶ Wally Witham is making progress with his poultry farm. After losing a lot of chickens, Wally has finally found the secret of success—it seems that a certain little pink pill does the trick, and after receiving much advice about the hardships and difficulties in raising turkeys, Wally with the help of his little pill has not lost one to date.
¶ We have a new man in our room. William Lever, Jr., is his name and they tell us that Bill is quite a baseball player.
¶ We hear two different stories about George Demarais at the carnival lately. Some say that George stayed for three performances at the girl show while another story is that his wife would not even let him go once. Knowing George as we do and not his wife we are inclined to believe the first. We find it increasingly difficult to convince George of the easy life a farmer leads. George has invited us out to try it but no, thanks, we would rather just talk.
¶ Don Olquin has done a lot of worrying about that extra gallon of gasoline needed to travel to his summer camp. We hope you get it, Don.
¶ "Stush" Clements has been seen back with his girl again. By the way, Stush, tell us more about that window with the sun shining thru. It sounds interesting.
¶ Minot Morse, and son, enjoyed some good baseball games at Boston on his recent vacation.

YARD — Lewiston

Reporter: *Auguste Auclair.*

¶ Dan Lalonde recently motored to Rockhaven where he enjoyed a good old fashioned shore dinner. Dan sure loves his sea food.
¶ Lucien Dutil has been forced to curtail his campaign activities this year on account of the gas and tire shortage.
¶ Frank Ouellette visited the Ritz Theatre recently where he thrilled at the adventures of the Dead End Kids.
¶ Lou Driscoll is not at all pleased at the rapid decline of the Boston Red Sox. Earlier in the season Lou had visions of a pennant winner for Boston.
¶ Pat Hamilton spent his vacation at Old Orchard Beach. He enjoyed a daily dip in the ocean.

STOREHOUSE — Lewiston

Reporter: *Hal Hanover.*

¶ Jerry Flynn, the regular reporter for this department, enjoyed a sojourn at the Gorham Fair where he displayed his usual uncanny skill in picking the hangtails. His ghost writer does not expect to dish out the choice literary morsels which flow so freely from the pen of the great Flynn so you Storehouse readers will have lean pickings this month.
¶ The annual outing of the Storehouse employees is still being discussed but, what with gas rationing and the tire shortage, it looks as tho it might eventually be staged at Buckley's Beach.
¶ Wally Tierney, the man who knows his bands, was in the front row at Glenn Miller's appearance at the Armory. Wally says the wind section was marvelous but the staccato effects were extremely modulated.
¶ Emile Dutil spent a few days in Hartford, Conn., where he visited friends and relatives.
¶ Armand Verville has returned after a short visit at one of Uncle Sam's army camps.
¶ Owing to new regulations Pilot Tom Gormly has been forced to move his aerial activities to the vicinity of Hebron where he has been thrilling the villagers with his feats of plain and fancy flying.

(Continued from Inside Front Cover)

PLANTS

The Company, consistently over the years, has made large expenditures for plant and machinery improvements, as will be noted in the Summary of Operations. As a result, working conditions in our plants are most favorable and the health and accident records are, we believe, exceptional. Furthermore, there are few industries where the employee has a safer or more healthful occupation. This point is worthy of emphasis in view of the widespread lack of public information on this important subject.

ADVERTISING

It was apparent at the beginning of the Defense Program that advertising would play, during the war, a very different role than in normal times. Accordingly, as early as June 1941 the tone of our advertising was altered from trying to sell Pepperell merchandise to explaining to our customers why there might be shortages and why they should conserve and protect what they had. The advertising policy is now devoted to keeping the Pepperell name before the public for the duration. Part of this policy includes making clear to the public the reasons why there is a shortage of Pepperell merchandise. Our trade name, of course, is too valuable an asset to permit its loss through inattention or neglect. The type of advertising now carried on not only should protect the investment already made in advertising, but also should foster its availability for use in the post-war program.

LABOR RELATIONS AND LABOR SUPPLY

We have enjoyed friendly relations with our employees. The changes necessitated by the shift from the manufacture of civilian goods to military goods have required a great deal of co-operation on their part and this has been forthcoming to the fullest extent. Already over five hundred of our employees are serving with the Armed Forces and of them we are justly proud. The impact of war has, in addition, seriously reduced the number of persons available for employment and it has become increasingly difficult to maintain the complement of skilled employees needed for capacity production.

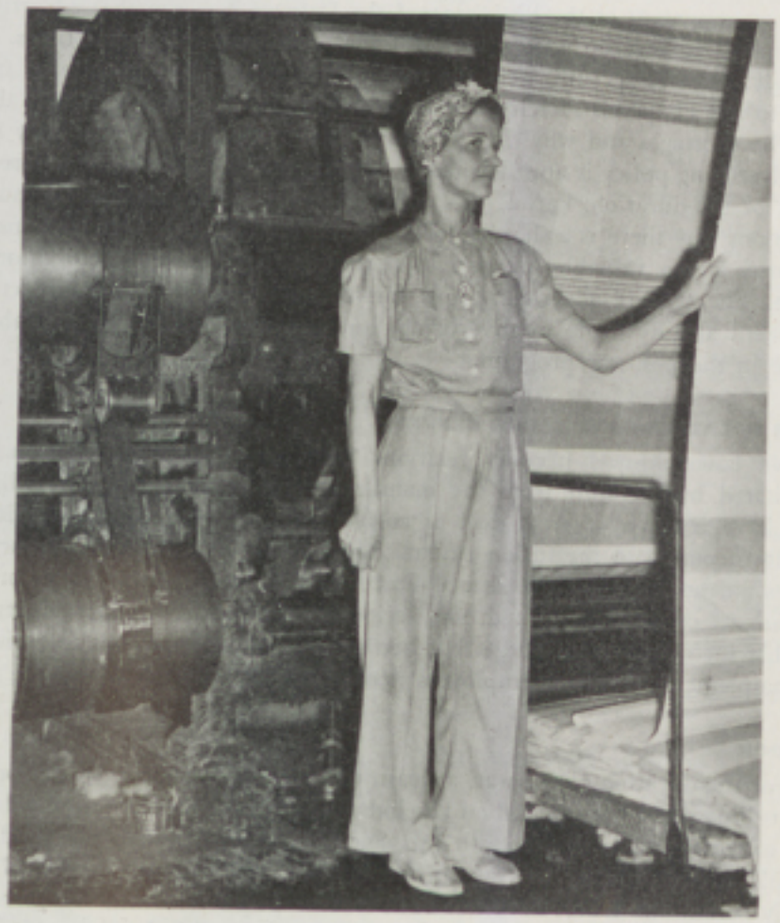
OUTLOOK

For the duration of the war, at least, the outlook is for limited net profits. Price ceilings have been placed on all cloth sold and are therefore rigid, whereas some of the elements of the cost of production are disturbingly not rigid. For example, at the time of writing this report, the all-important factors in cost, namely cotton and labor, have not been frozen. These elements, together with very severe tax schedules, combine to erect an impregnable barrier against any large net earnings in the immediate future. The present substantial surplus has been built up over a long period of years and will serve, it is hoped, to assure continuity of return to stockholders.

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